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## WORST STORM EVER

### HARROWING TIME FOR NE AMERICA

Chicago, November 26. The great storm over the north-eastern US lost some of its striking force today but continued to jam activities of millions with a snow deluge.

The vast atmospheric disturbances was far from over, but it had earned a designation by chief meteorologist Ernest Christie of the US Weather Bureau at New York as the most violent of its kind ever encountered in the northeastern quarter of the United States.

It has done millions of dollars in property damage. It has caused more than 100 deaths. It has virtually smothered traffic in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Columbus, and dozens of smaller cities. It has cut off electricity for more than 800,000 persons. It has suspended commerce and industry in some areas. It delayed until tomorrow a UN session at Lake Success which would have heard, for the first time, Red Chinese envoys.

On the east side of the storm, racing, rain-spilling winds smashed wires, trees, buildings and tens of thousands of windows yesterday. Farther west, as the rain met cold air, it froze and turned into sleet, burdening power lines which snapped. Tens of thousands of automobiles were stalled in drifts.

Trains were as much as five hours late.—Associated Press.

#### CANADA ALSO LASHED

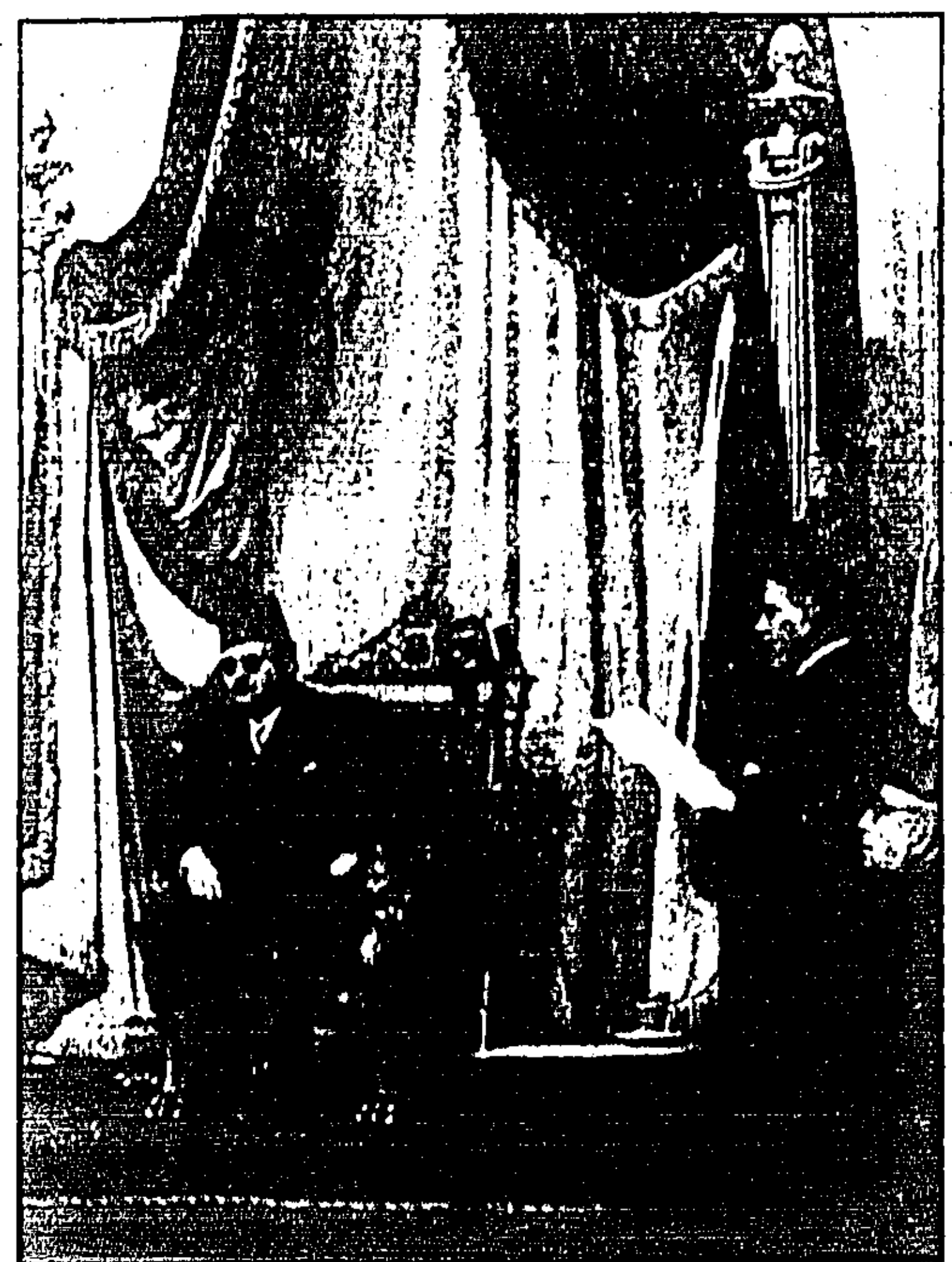
Montreal, Nov. 26. The winter's worst storm lashed Eastern Canada tonight, leaving a toll of at least eight dead in its wake and property damage which may exceed \$2,000,000.

Peak gusts of 70 miles an hour hit Montreal, Quebec City and Southern Nova Scotia early today while winds at Halifax topped 60 miles an hour. Scores of ships scurried for shelter off the East Coast as the vicious storm moved out into the Atlantic.

In Ontario, hardest hit by the big blow, many cities were blanketed by 24 inches of snow.

Lake Ontario, churned by violent winds, hurled 35-foot breakers onto the beaches, undermining at least 200 cottages and leaving 500 persons homeless.—United Press.

### A King Makes His Demand



King Farouk of Egypt has announced that his government was demanding the immediate evacuation of British troops from Egypt. Here, King Farouk, seated on a throne in the Egyptian Parliament, listens as his speech is read by Premier Nahas Pasha. Seated at right is Senate Chairman Zaki Elorabi Pasha.—AP Picture.

## Disheartening News From

### N. Korea MacARTHUR'S OFFENSIVE HALTED

#### Reserves In Action

FROM LIONEL CRANE

Tokyo, Nov. 26.

General MacArthur's great push to the Manchurian border has come to a halt. Reports which have just come in from the northwestern front show that the enemy has broken up the 2nd South Korean Corps, surrounded two American companies and appear to be about to launch a major attack in the Taechon area.

The only advance still being made on this front is in the extreme west at Chongju. The greatest threats at Tokchon, at the extreme east of the line where the 8th Army in the west and the 10th Corps in the east are the only units likely to be joined.

Here the Reds drove the South Koreans back 11 miles and recaptured the town. The official 8th Army bulletin says the situation in this area is obscure.

It is believed there is a force of 2,000 of the enemy in front of the South Korean force at Tokchon.

Other enemy forces of unknown strength infiltrated through our lines and formed road blocks south of Tokchon.

The 1st American Cavalry Division was taken from reserve and rushed to this area to try and plug the hole. It is vital that it does so for if the Reds advance south down the main road from Tokchon they could out-flank the entire United Nations force in the northwest.

Air and ground reports indicate that the enemy resistance is increasing northeast of the Taechon area also held by the South Koreans and all-out offensives are expected any moment.

### The Marines Strike

With First Marine Division In Korea.

Nov. 27.

United States Marines attacked west from the Chosin Reservoir early today to drive a wedge behind the Chinese on the western front. The Marines moved out along a narrow road heading west from Yudamni, blocking the advance of forces on the Eighth Army right flank. Resistance was slight during the first miles of the attack. Patrols on Sunday advanced three miles from Yudamni without finding enemy troops.—United Press.

Similar attacks flared up along the whole front. At Taechon there was a bitter and bloody battle between Communists and South Koreans. At Kijang, two companies of the American 2nd Division were overrun and one of them is still encircled. Here the Reds advanced so swiftly that they drove straight through to an American artillery position in the rear. For a time gunners fired 105 millimetre guns over open sights at the enemy 200 yards away. The Reds fired back with rifles and the Americans were forced to retreat leaving some behind.

Near Yongpudong the American 25th Division pulled back and it was officially stated "They are readjusting their line." This was the first time this phrase has been used since the early days of the war.

The optimistic spirit inspired by General MacArthur's "home for Christmas" promise was dead at Headquarters at Tokyo today. Staff officers read serious reports with set faces and there was a tense air in the brilliantly lit building.

The seriousness of the position can be judged by the order given to the American 3rd Division to sound up at once at the end of the day.

### Chinese Delegates Given New Authorisation

San Francisco, Nov. 26.

The Chinese Communists announced today that their delegation now in Lake Success is authorised to represent the Red regime in discussions of the United Nations Political and Security Committee as well as before the Security Council.

The Peking Radio, heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press, said this authorisation had been sent to the delegation headed by Wu Hsi-chuan and to the UN Secretary-General, Dr Trygve Lie, who had raised the question.

At New York, a spokesman for Dr Lie said the new accreditation was received at Lake Success this afternoon.

It gives the nine member delegation permission to appear before the UN Assembly, but still limits them to discussion of Peking's charges of American aggression. They are not authorised to answer General Douglas MacArthur's charges of Red Chinese intervention in Korea.—Associated Press.

### Mountain Village Massacre

#### Vicious Action By Hukbalahaps

Manila, Nov. 27.

Twenty-three persons, including 12 women and eight children, were massacred at a little mountain village on Saturday night in a wild orgy of murder and arson blamed on Communist Hukbalahaps.

National Defence Headquarters reported 150 Huk guerrillas entered the little barrio of Agnol in Zamboanga province and herded the inhabitants into the village square.

For six hours the dissidents remained in the village.

It was a night of plunder, rape, murder and arson. Survivors said the Huks gouged the eyes out of several maidens before bayonetting them to death. They said three young women were raped and then killed.

Thirty-four houses were burned. Seven village men were taken along when the raiders fled from the town. Defence Headquarters said they would probably be pressed into the Huk service for menial work.

Secretary of Defence Ramon Magsaysay visited the scene yesterday. He said it was "utterly inhuman and cruel".

Lieutenant-Colonel Salvador Adcede, a Philippine Army officer who visited the scene, said the Huks surrounded the village and fired warning shots into the air.

The residents were herded into the village square, ostensibly for a public meeting. Then the shooting and rape began, Col Adcede said.—Associated Press.

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### Reds Launch Heavy Attack

Tokyo, Nov. 27.

The Communists launched a heavy attack early today (Monday) along a 25-mile front from Taechon to Unsan, according to front-line reports.

The US 25th Division—in the Unsan sector—and the ROK 1st Division around Taechon, came under fierce pressure and elements of one 21st Division Regiment were forced to withdraw nearly two miles.

In the Taechon sector, two Communist battalions attacked simultaneously and were repulsed.

## Invasion Of Tibet Mystery

### "Liberation" Still Not Accomplished

New Delhi, November 26.

Ten thousand invading Chinese Communist troops began their eighth week in the frigid mountain fastness of Eastern Tibet today, still short of their announced objective — "liberation" of that almost defenceless land.

Why they have not accomplished their purpose is a mystery here. There has been no fresh information in days to indicate what is going on in the remote Himalayan country. Many here believe the troops were halted on orders from Peking. But why such orders would be given was not explained. One report here said the defending Tibetans were retreating so fast they virtually were guiding the Chinese to the capital at Lhasa.

Some quarters here think the Chinese invaders are awaiting for the Lhasa government to succumb to fifth column activities by pro-Chinese monks. But most information here is that the Lhasa administration is stronger now than before the invasion of October 7.

#### WEEK'S SILENCE

The 16-year-old Dalai Lama was invested on November 17 with full ruling powers. Thus far, India's official representative in Lhasa has made no report of any subversive activity there.

The Chinese seized the main Tibetan defence bastion at Chamdo at the very outset of their campaign. India's Lhasa representative, in his last report to New Delhi, placed them near Pemba Go, 25 miles Northeast of the capital. But that report was weeks ago.

He said that the Tibetan defenders had withdrawn to Lhangue, 150 miles from Lhasa, which would mean they have given up two 16,000 foot passes—Nupkang and Shargung. Earlier reports said other Chinese forces entered Western Tibet from Sinkiang province, but nothing has been heard from these troops since the original reports.

Whether the Tibetan appeal to the UN had anything to do with the present apparent lull, no one here knows. India has sent two notes to China protesting the invasion and has had two rather sharp responses. The Foreign Ministry here thinks it is pointless to send another, but Indian views have not changed. They do not like China's action.—Associated Press.

### TOOK POISON ON WEDDING EVE

Seville, Nov. 26.

When the police went to arrest them on their wedding eve for stealing mantillas (Spanish shawls) Jose Vigil, 26, and his fiancée Rosario Marquez, 23, both took poison. They are expected to recover.—Reuter.

## Today's Crucial Meetings At Lake Success

Lake Success, Nov. 26.

With their troops locked in combat in Korea, diplomatic representatives of the United States and Communist China will confront each other at the United Nations tomorrow.

They spent today polishing charges and counter-charges for presentation at a morning meeting of the 60-nation Political Committee and an afternoon Security Council session.

These crucial meetings may supply the answer to the most urgent question of the day—does Red China intend to provoke an all-out war with the US?

Russia's Jacob A. Malik "promised officially" to use his own words—that he would open the morning meeting with an outline of his charges that the US has been guilty of aggression against China. American John Foster Dulles had demanded that this indictment be made public as soon as possible in order to give him an opportunity to prepare the US reply.

Today, however, UN officials said they thought M. Malik would try to postpone his speech until after the Peking delegation speaks in the Security Council in the afternoon.

At that meeting the US will be represented by Mr Warren R. Austin, who said he will ask the Chinese Reds 20 questions, not only about their allegations of American aggression but about the presence of Chinese troops in Korea.

Communist Premier Chou En-lai has insisted that the delegation, headed by Wu Hsi-chuan, is not empowered to discuss that question, next on the provisional agenda of the Council meeting which links it with the problem of Formosa.

The Chinese charges against the US are based on the claim that President Harry Truman's order to the Seventh Fleet to "seal off" the island stronghold of the Chinese Nationalists constituted aggression.

They also assert that the US maintains military force in Formosa and has deliberately bombed Manchuria.

The US answer is that the sealing off of Formosa was to prevent the spread of the Korean war, that the only American soldiers there are attached to the US Embassy and are fewer than those maintained in Moscow, and that the few incidents of bombings in Manchuria were regrettable accidents.

The Peking government notified Secretary-General Trygve Lie today that its delegation is empowered to speak in the Political Committee as well as the Council. The complaint there must be presented by Russia, however, since Moscow is its official sponsor. The Chinese will be called on only as witnesses for the Russian charges.—Associated Press.

### Dakota Plane Missing

Calcutta, Nov. 26.

A Dakota freighter aircraft of the Indian Air Force, operating on a non-scheduled chartered flight from Calcutta to Assam, is reported to be missing since yesterday. The aircraft, with a crew of three, took off from Barrackpore, Calcutta's second airport, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

Two search parties sent out yesterday and one today, have been unable to locate the missing plane.

According to the Indian Air Force, the plane is reported to have crashed about 50 miles north of Barpeta in Assam territory. But the exact location is not known.

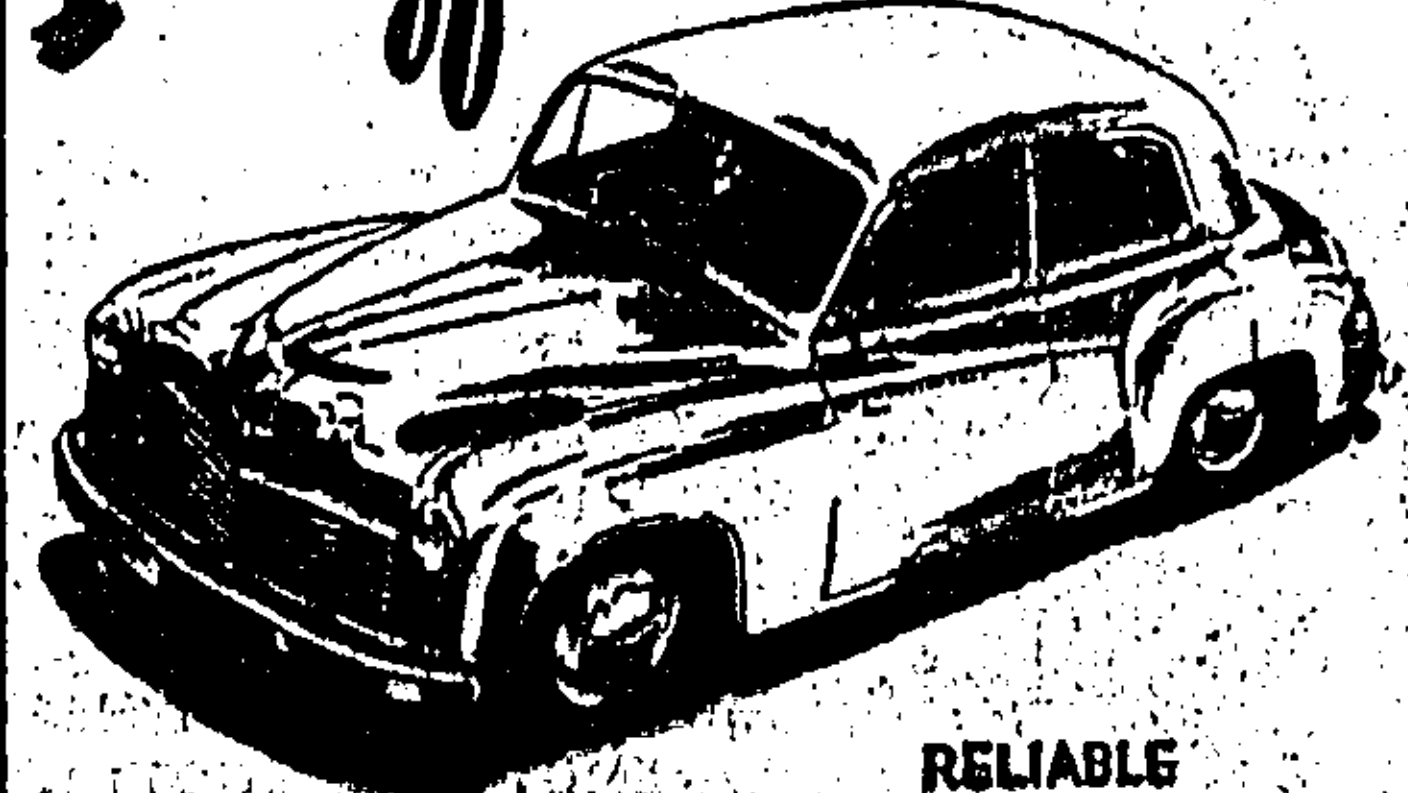
#### COMMENT OF THE DAY

### The Police Need Your Help

THE report of the Commissioner of Police, published last week, deserves to be carefully studied by everybody, more especially those who seem to believe that law and order can be preserved in Hongkong through some magical official formula. More than once in the report the Commissioner refers to the lack of public co-operation in quick reporting of misdeeds, either actual or suspected, and he obviously infers, with some justification, that did the public offer his organisation more willing assistance, very many more criminals would be detected and much more stolen property recovered. The post-war record of the Hongkong Police Force is good, particularly when it is appreciated what a stupendous task it has in combating the vast criminal underworld in the Colony. Detection technique is constantly being improved and there is no shortage of initiative or courage in any of the Force's echelons. But our police still need, more than anything else, willing and enthusiastic aid from the Colony's law-abiding citizens. It is needed more now than ever before because, as the Commissioner's report wryly points out, the termination of such police liaison which existed with the Kwangtung Police had given a fillip to non-preventable offences and has made these crimes comparatively simple. This means that our neighbouring police are no longer prepared to assist in preventing known criminals from secreting themselves across the border into Hongkong, or to apprehend them when they have returned to Kwangtung after committing their crimes. This opens our visiting criminals exceptional scope for carrying out their operations and clearly doubles the responsibilities of the Hongkong Police. Nevertheless, criminals must not be permitted to

impunity in this Colony and it is axiomatic that their activities can be made unprofitable if public vigilance is thoroughly maintained. Through its new emergency control centre the Police are now in a position to make the best use of information quickly relayed from the scene of a crime by telephone. "Dial 999" should become a mental slogan for all people who respect law and order in Hongkong and wish it to be preserved. The new emergency control is ready to deal with any reports: all that is requested is immediate notification. The everyday use of "999" by the public who spot a crime or suspicious behaviour is more likely than anything else to bring about a sharp increase in the number of criminals apprehended. And as more are caught so will crime and petty offences decline. Moreover, the Police Force is entitled to sympathetic treatment from another quarter—the Treasury. Any Police Force to be thoroughly efficient in these days of specialised crime and, as in Hongkong, easy escape routes, needs to be modernly equipped with all the devices for detection, including mobile facilities. The Hongkong Police Force has gone a long way since the war in this direction, but it is conceivable that many more mechanical aids could be placed at their disposal with satisfactory results. If there is this need it should be met by the proper financial appropriations. The taxpayer does not mind providing the dollars so long as it can be shown they are well spent. If allocating more money to the Police Force will help to bring about a reduction in crime and an improvement in law enforcement, the dollars should be provided. Hongkong, like other cities, has no more important item of expenditure or one more likely to return dividends than the way we

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### Foreign Legion Routs Out Guerilla Foxhole



A Vietminh guerilla is seen here as he is routed from his foxhole by two French Foreign Legion soldiers. He was one of several guerilla troops caught during a French Army sweep through Cochinchina, to the South-West of Saigon. —AP Picture.

## LONDON EXPLANATION OF REDS' KOREA STRATEGY

### SOCIALIST ACCUSES BRITAIN

New Delhi, Nov. 26. Jayaprakash Narayan, the Indian Socialist leader, today accused Britain of being interested in Nepal because she has a big stake in seeing that "the Ranas" (the ruling clan) continue to rule the people of Nepal with the sword.

"The British Government has a big stake in Nepal, whence it gets tough, sturdy Gurkha soldiers for its mercenary army to be used for imperialist purposes in Malaya and other places."

"A democratic government would never allow its people to be used as mercenaries," he added.

Mr Narayan felt that a democratic government in Nepal would ban the enlistment of Gurkhas in the British Army.

"The Indian Government should not let their decision be either influenced or dictated by Britain," he said.

He demanded that the Indian Government recognise the "unfettered right of the people of Nepal to establish a democratic government in their country with King Tribhuvan, Bir Bikram Deva, who is now in New Delhi."

King Tribhuvan, who is 44, was deposed by the hereditary Prime Minister, Maharajah Mohan Shamsheer Jung Bahadur Rana, on November 6. Five days later the King fled with some members of his family to New Delhi.

His three-year-old grandson, Prince Gyanendra, was proclaimed King in his place. —Reuter.

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# AMERICA PREPARING FOR RED CHINA UN DELEGATION Series Of Questions On Peking's Foreign Policy

Lake Success, Nov. 26.

The United States has prepared a series of questions to ask the Communists, about their intervention in Korea and their foreign policy, when the delegations meet face to face at the United Nations on Monday.

The American delegate, Mr Warren Austin, is ready to quiz the Peking delegate, General Wu Shiu-chuan, on the Far East crisis at the afternoon meeting of the Security Council.

### Ice Block Air Attack

London, Nov. 26. After examining a 12-inch block of ice which fell through the roof of a London suburban garage on Friday, meteorological experts decided today that it dropped from an aircraft. They found the blocks contained traces of de-icing fluid. —Reuter.

### UNWED BUT ENTITLED TO HOUSE

London, Nov. 26. An Englishman's home is his castle even if he's living in sin. The Town Council at Beccles, Norfolk, has ruled that an unmarried couple has as much right to a Government-licensed home as a man and woman whose union has been blessed by the clergy.

The case arose when a branch of the Amalgamated Engineering Union protested about an unmarried couple with a four-year-old child who had been allocated a home by the Town Council. The Union said that housing priority should be given only to married couples. The Council ruled otherwise by a vote of 13 to four. It said: "Although privately we do not agree with people who are not married living together, as a Council we recognise their need can be just as real as that of a married couple. We should have no justification whatever in turning them out of the house which has been granted them."

Councillor G. F. Mathews said it would be un-British to punish people because they are not married, and said the Council has no right to inquire into the morals of its tenants. —United Press.

### Danger Of Too Much Speed

Dundee, Scotland, Nov. 26. The War Minister, Mr John Strachey, said here tonight that nothing would be gained by everything lost if Britain tried to rearm on such a scale and at such a speed that it broke her back.

He told a public meeting that he was sure America would help Britain's rearmament programme, adding: "A proper distribution of a common defence burden between the Atlantic Pact countries must surely be according to their ability to carry a particular share of the burden." —Reuter.

## Russian Version Of Campaign In Korea

London, Nov. 26.

A Moscow military commentator said today that the "American Command" in its Korea drive did not undertake active operations east of Tokcheon, on the central sector of the front, because "it does not possess sufficient forces there for an offensive."

In a review of the recent military operations in Korea, the commentator, Colonel Tolchinnov, remarked: "Reactionary circles in the United States previously heralded in advance this offensive (launched in Kyndu) as the last and decisive blow."

"But how many of such last and decisive offensives of MacArthur's strategists against the People's Army have already taken place?" he asked.

## Swedish Reds Fall Out

Stockholm, Nov. 26. Thirty veteran members of Sweden's Communist Party broke away today and formed their own organization after a two-day meeting here.

They passed a resolution saying that they have formed their own "Central Board" because the Party had abandoned its purely revolutionary course and degenerated into a family clique for the purpose of self-admiration.

In a debate on the resolution the "rebels" criticised Mr Fritiof Lager, the Party's leader, and editor of the Communist Party's daily newspaper "Ny Dag." The rebels called for closer loyalty to the Cominform, a "more Leninist line" and an end to the policy of being "an appendix of the Socialist Party."

The rebels, who are headed by Mr Gustaf Laurentsson, Communist member of Parliament for Malmoe, South Sweden, will elect their own delegates to the Communist Party Congress here next March. —Reuter.

### Peron To Visit Brazil

Rio de Janeiro, Nov. 26. President Juan Peron of Argentina will visit Brazil for the inauguration of Dr Getulio Vargas as President on January 31, an authoritative source said today. Dr Vargas was elected in October. —Reuter.

There is a good deal of feeling here that the British would have more luck than anyone else in managing to bring Wu's delegation together with the Americans for peace talks.

Indications are that the Council majority on Monday will accept a proposal to put the Korean crisis and the Formosa issue under one omnibus agenda item. That will allow the Peking delegation to participate in debate on many aspects of the Far Eastern crisis. —United Press.

### Cyprus Ban On Red Meeting

Nicosia, Cyprus, Nov. 26. A Government ban caused the cancellation of a Communist-sponsored mass meeting due to have been held today in a South Cyprus village in protest against the "conversion of Cyprus into a war base."

The meeting was to have been near Larnaca, the site for a large British Army camp. The organizers planned to protest against the use of certain village lands for military construction. —Reuter.

### MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



## Quiz Dachau Case Reopened

Augsburg, Bavaria, Nov. 26. A German Court, opening here on Monday, hopes to settle once and for all whether the notorious Elze Koch had concentration camp victims flayed alive so that she could use their skin for lamp-shades, handbags and book bindings.

Koch, now 44 but still red-haired and plump in spite of her years in prison, will be charged with 45 murders and complicity in 135 others—all Germans or other non-Allied subjects.

A Defence Counsel, Dr Alfred Seidl, told Reuter that he was surprised to find the "lamp-shade complex" included in the 139-page indictment. Such charges had been dropped by an American War Crimes Tribunal at Dachau in 1945 because of insufficient evidence.

He said: "No lamp-shades made from human skin were produced."

Herb Josef Ackermann, chief of the Munich City Press Department, who worked in the "overwhelming majority" of the United Nations Political Committee in favour of the decision that the United Nations was competent to deal with India's complaint against South Africa. (Voting was 35 in favour, three against and 17 abstentions.)

The United Nations resolution, the Working Committee said, "negatives the contention of the Malan Government that apartheid (racial separation) is compatible with justice and equality."

The Committee hoped that the Governments of South Africa, India and Pakistan would convene a round table conference before April 1, 1951, and that the Group Areas Act would be suspended. —Reuter.

## Mystery Of Bao Dai's Health

Hanoi, Nov. 26. Ex-Emperor Bao Dai, head of the State of Vietnam, who arrived in the Tonkin Delta bridgehead yesterday, conferred for three hours today with the newly-appointed French Commander, General Pierre de la Tour du Moulin.

The Governor of North Vietnam, Nguyen Huu Tri, attended the meeting.

The Vietminh insurgent threat to the area was discussed, it was understood.

Later the 37-year-old ex-Emperor of Annam cancelled an afternoon inspection tour of the area around the Hanoi aerodrome. A Vietnamese official said that the former Emperor had been taken ill. He had gone to bed and his doctor had been called.

Other usually reliable Vietnamese sources, however, said that Bao Dai was expected to continue his inspection tour of strategic points in the Delta tomorrow. —Reuter.

## The Watch Across The Yalu River

On The North East Front, Nov. 26. Americans are fighting the Chinese in Korea but on the Manchurian border itself they watch each other across the ice-sheeted Yalu River and nobody so much as picks up a rock.

Colonel Herbert B. Powell's 17th Regiment of the United States 7th Division drove into Hyesanjin on Nov. 21 and immediately set tank-led patrols to cleaning out the Reds on the Korean side of the border.

But those on the "China side," as the GIs call it, are off limits. The town of Hyesanjin lies on both sides of the river. The Americans have set up observation posts in foxholes and zig-zagging trenches in bluffs and levees. A few hundred yards away on the hills rising behind Manchurian Hyesanjin, the enemy no doubt has look-outs for keeping an eye on the Americans.

## Pea-Soupers In Britain

London, Nov. 26. Thick fog again enveloped many areas of Britain today. The visibility was down to 30 and 40 yards at the London and Northolt Airports, the terminals for overseas and European air services. Landing aircraft were diverted to outlying airports as far away as Manchester, Kent, and Hurn, Hampshire. All flights from Northolt to Elro were cancelled. Temperatures were below freezing point in many parts of the country early today. Frosty patches had their coldest streaks of the winter. —Reuter.

## RACIALISM DANGER TO PEACE

The world is becoming increasingly conscious that racialism, wherever practiced, is a grave danger to world peace, the Working Committee of the Natal Indian Congress said in a resolution today. It referred to the "overwhelming majority" in the United Nations Political Committee in favour of the decision that the United Nations was competent to deal with India's complaint against South Africa. (Voting was 35 in favour, three against and 17 abstentions.)

## Moderates Leading In Burgenland

Vienna, Nov. 26. The Right-wing People's Party (Moderate and Catholic) was leading tonight in local Council elections in the Province of Burgenland in the Russian zone of Austria. The elections are the first to be held in the Province since the liberation of Austria.

The Burgenland borders on Hungary, and some Austrian papers have called today's poll "elections in the shadow of the Iron Curtain." Results from Eisenstadt, capital of the Province, showed 12 seats for the People's Party, nine for the Socialists, and two for the Communists. Eisenstadt previously had a Socialist Municipal Council. From three agricultural districts results were: People's Party 235 seats, Socialists 159 seats, Communists nil. —Reuter.

## Crucial Debate In The Commons

London, Nov. 26. The Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, will open the House of Commons debate on foreign affairs next Wednesday. It was announced today. He is expected to explain Britain's attitude towards possible talks with Russia and to make clear the form of current talks on this subject with France and the United States.

The Foreign Secretary will be answering a formidable array of critics. From his own Labour Party ranks 35 Members have asked for a revision of the policy on the North Atlantic. Some are calling on Britain to open the way for new approaches to Russia. —Reuter.



# NEHRU'S HINT OF ACTION ON NEPAL ISSUE

Jamshedpur, Bihar, Nov. 26.  
Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, told a public meeting here in a reference to Nepal, "We cannot recognise a three-year-old boy as king."

## Schuman Eternal Optimist

Metz, Nov. 26.  
The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, said today he hoped that friendly co-operation with the Soviet Union would once again become possible.  
"We retain the hope and willingness that one day we shall be able to re-form that peace-loving community which was so fruitful in the hour of danger," he said.  
He was referring to the fact that wartime "Big Four" alliance was "no longer in practical existence."  
Speaking in St Avold, near Metz, Schuman said that the aim of the Western Powers was to "ensure peace and defend freedom."  
Referring to missing Alsations who were forcibly enrolled in the German army, and some of whom are still believed to be in Russian prison camps, he remarked, "we have not ceased to take action about these men."  
"We have done it discreetly and if results are not obtained soon we shall not hesitate to protest before world opinion," he said.

## Communists Rounded Up In Hanoi

Paris, Nov. 26.  
Vietnam security police, operating in Hanoi, the capital of Tonkin, Indo-China, have arrested 15 undercover Communist propagandists in the last few days, the French news agency reported tonight.  
In raids on the propagandists' Hanoi headquarters, the director of the Vietnamese Information Service and four members of the Vietnamese Central Committee were arrested.  
The police discovered stacks of Communist literature, Vietnamese information bulletins, printing presses and a wireless set in raids last Thursday. Vietnamese propaganda services had been completely disrupted by the arrests, the Hanoi police claimed.—Reuter.

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## Mrs. Chennault Gets Her Papers



The Chinese wife of Major-General Claire Chennault signs naturalisation papers after being admitted to American citizenship in the Federal District Court in Washington. Left to right: Major-General Chennault, Mrs Chennault and Harry Hall, Court Clerk.—AP Picture.

## WASHINGTON BACKS BRITISH ATTITUDE IN CANAL DISPUTE

London, Nov. 26.  
The United States agrees with Britain's decision to keep troops in the Suez Canal area and the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, will make that known to the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Salah el Din Bey, informed quarters said today.

## Cold Stopped Prison Break

Montgomery, Alabama, Nov. 26.  
Three hundred convicts were moved to safety when fire razed wooden barracks in the State prison here before dawn today.  
In 20 degrees of frost, guards rushed from cell to cell firing pistols and beating on doors to rouse the sleeping prisoners. The guards feared escape attempts—but not one made a dash for it, perhaps because of the bitter cold.—Reuter.

## Unique Ceremony At St Peter's

Vatican City, Nov. 26.  
The Pope today attended in St Peter's a special Mass, celebrated according to Byzantine rites, for persecuted Roman Catholics throughout the world.  
It was only the second time during this century that these rites, observed by about 8,000,000 Eastern Catholics, had been used in the chief Basilica of the Catholic Church.

The other occasion was on November 15, 1925, when Pope Pius XI ordered an Eastern Mass to celebrate the 16th centenary of the Council of Nicea, which gave the Church the Nicene Creed.  
Prayers were offered at today's Mass for all Catholics undergoing persecution, particularly those behind the "Iron Curtain."  
The Patriarch Maximus IV of Antioch, assisted by 14 Bishops, four Archbishops and one Canon, all of the Eastern Churches, performed the colourful ceremony.—Reuter.

## Modern Parent In Dilemma

London, Nov. 26.  
When modern parents wish to spank their children they have to think twice, a father complained to a juvenile court judge here.

They know that they should administer a good chastisement sometimes, but they are afraid of being prosecuted for cruelty. The father was speaking for his 14-year-old son who was accused of setting fire to a box of straw.  
He told the judge: "When I was a boy, a policeman would cuff us if we were doing anything wrong. The police cannot do that today."  
"At home I was beaten. But when I tried that on my family I had an inquiry of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. I had two brothers and a sister."

## Labour Party Learns How To Do It

London, Nov. 26.  
Britain's Labour Party has learned how to plan the country's resources without having to take everything over," Mr Herbert Morrison, the Party leader and Deputy Prime Minister, said in the House of Commons today.  
Mr Morrison stated three categories of industries for public ownership:  
1. Monopolies, such as gas, electricity, water, and postal services.  
2. Basic industries, such as steel, transport and heavy engineering.  
3. Industries, such as coal, iron, and shipbuilding.

## "Martyrs" In Chair Fight

Cyprus, Nov. 26.  
Chairs were broken in a fight between "martyrs of Jehovah" and members of the Greek Orthodox Church here today.  
About 50 of the Church members "gate-crashed" a meeting of the sect in a cinema, and fighting started.  
The police restored order.—Reuter.

## German Solution In Sight

Bonn, Nov. 26.  
West German agreement was today reported in sight on two assurances sought by the Western Allies—on debts and strategic materials—to clear the way towards a revision of the Occupation officials.

Government officials told Reuter that they expected to assure the Western Allies this week or the next that:  
1. West Germany will accept responsibility for Germany's prewar and postwar public debts; and  
2. She will be prepared to make her strategic raw materials available to the Western Allies.

Both assurances have been sought by the Western Powers as a condition for revising the Occupation Statute, which was agreed upon by the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and the United States at their meeting in New York in September. Under this revision West Germany will be given the right to transact foreign affairs through her own Foreign Office and draft Federal and State legislation without Allied scrutiny.—Reuter.

## Trud Repeats Old Theme

Moscow, Nov. 26.  
The Soviet trade union newspaper Trud today described the Western Powers' charges of Russian interference in Austrian internal affairs as "slandorous fabrications designed to cover up their own criminal actions in Austria."  
The paper said that it had been incumbent on the Austrian Government, acting in the service of the Western Powers, to raise a trumped-up quibble of the Allied Control Council to divert the world public from persecution of democratic elements in the Western occupied zones of Austria, which were being converted into an American military stronghold.

Trud accused the British and Americans of establishing "a colonial system in Western Austria" by repressive measures against Austrians taking part in workers' demonstrations.  
The article declared that since 1945 all changes in the Austrian police had been carried out by the Austrian Administration "solely with the knowledge of the Soviet military authorities."—Reuter.

## Joliot-Curie On The Way Home

Prague, Nov. 26.  
Professor Frederick Joliot-Curie, chairman of the World Peace Council, left here today by air for Paris on his way home after the Warsaw "Peace Congress."  
His decision to fly was taken after he was turned back on Friday from the West German frontier, where the authorities refused him entry by rail on the grounds that he had no valid permit to pass through the American Zone.  
He postponed flying yesterday because of the bad weather.—Reuter.

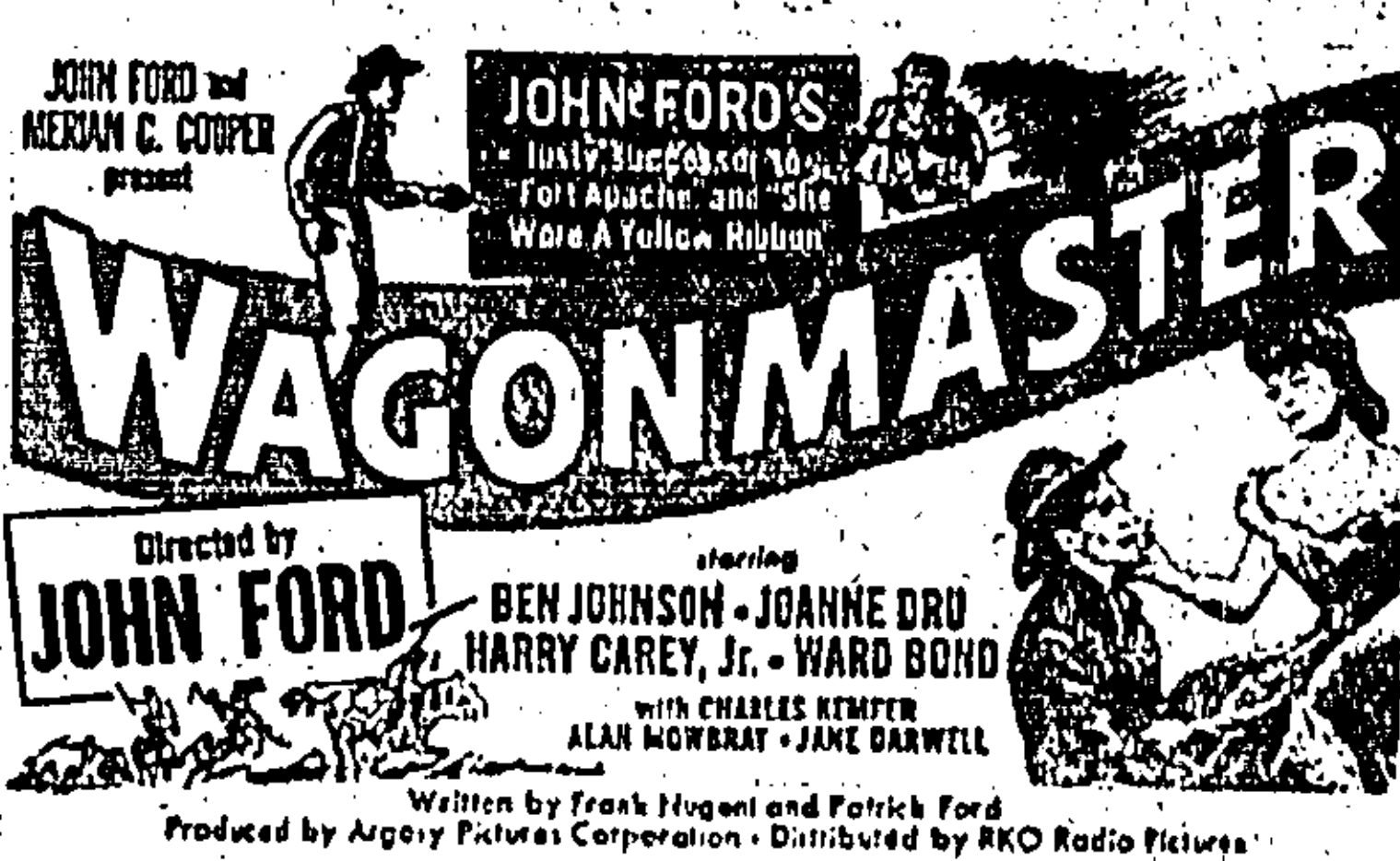
## Indians On Warpath In Amazon Jungle

Rio de Janeiro, Nov. 26.  
Indians on the warpath in jungles south of the Amazon have killed at least four people and caused over 100 other casualties, the Brazilian press news agency reported from Belem today.

Some of the Indians were said to be using rifles as well as the traditional arrows.  
Ranging through the Araguaia region, along the Tocantins River, which joins the Parana River estuary, 100 miles from Belem, in Northern Brazil, the Catapo Indians are causing workers in the fertile pastures and plantations to abandon their homes and flee in terror.  
Catapo Indians have also resorted to "hunting" of obstacles and have been seen along the banks of the river.

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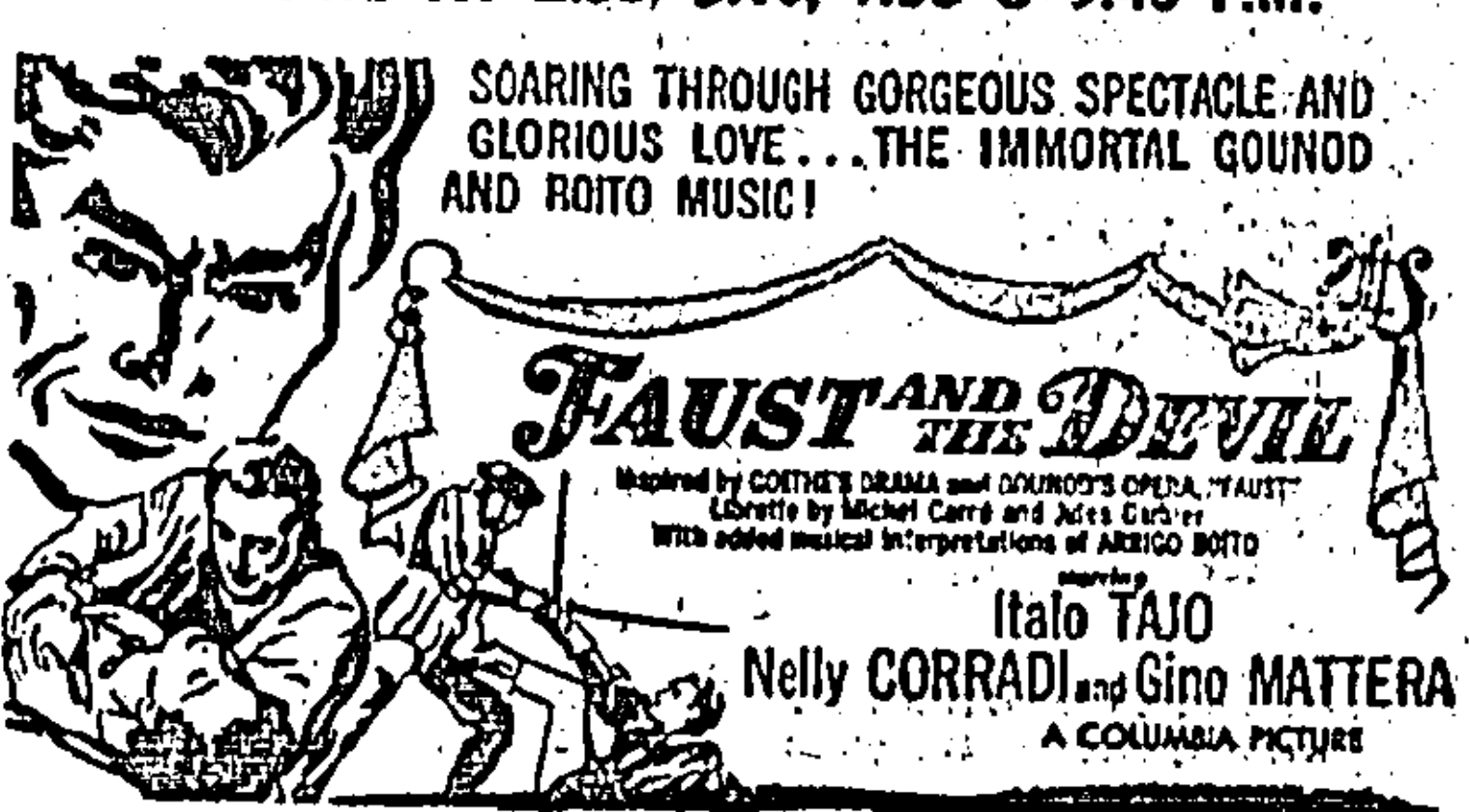
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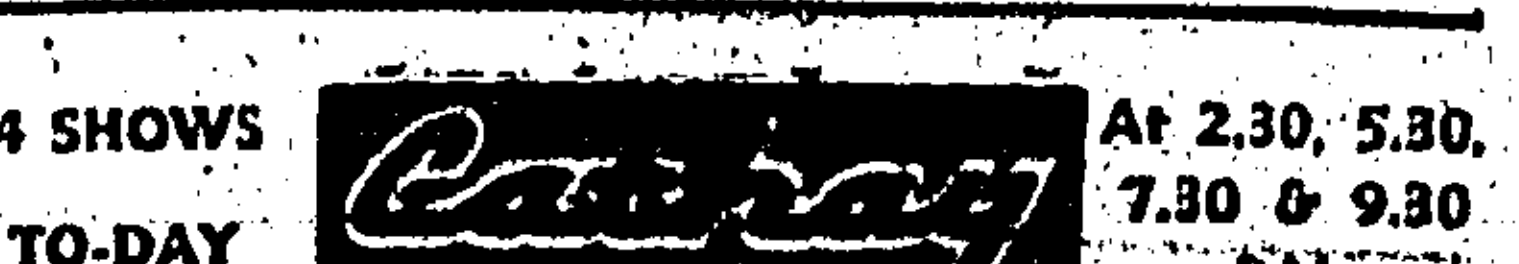
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# THE PEACE CONGRESS IS A COLOSSAL FAKE

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to all organisations which mig

These international bodies are now generally recognised as serving solely Communist ends: they have lost most

Two ideas emerged from the Committee's first meeting. One

In effect, it invited the people of the free world to abolish the one weapon standing between them and conquest by Russia. . . .

It advocated a system of international control which, as the Russians have shown, they have not the slightest intention of allowing to operate on their own territory. . . .

Subordinate to it and receiving instructions from it are the national peace committees, the composition of which varies in each country. The British Peace Committee, which may be regarded as typical, is headed by a Chamberlain, a Communist, a Communist sympathizer, and a chairman of the World Federation of Scientific Workers.

"Today we see how the peoples of Malaya, Vietnam and Korea are fighting for peace. Tomorrow we shall witness a moving event. The British people will start fighting for their own independence against the domination of the United States bankers and militarists. Today we hear the call 'Malaya for the Malaysians', 'Korea for the Koreans', and tomorrow we shall hear the call 'Britain for the British'."

The connection of the Peace Campaign with peace is very slight indeed. The anti-war propaganda that it employs is directed solely against the defensive measures forced upon the free world by the aggressive designs of the Soviet Union. It is significant that the Peace Movement has never uttered a single word of criticism of the Soviet policies which have made the defensive measures of the West unnecessary.

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5	Wood	2	Portions
8	Timber	3	Object of worship
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12	Rarely	6	Intend
14	Rude person	7	Property
16	Spilt	10	Sight warmth
18	Take without right	13	Account
19	Genuine	14	Botched
20	Source	15	Resists
24	Sooths	17	Scholar
25	Courteous	19	University examination
26	Black	21	Departed
27	Clearings	22	Pleasant
28	Exclusive	23	Hide

**SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Basic, 4 Arab  
8 Abroad, 10 Acute, 12 Terror, 14 Suffice, 17 Astil, 19 Over  
20 Measure, 22 Adit, 23 Ugly, 27 Reamer, 29 Aping  
Satire, 31 Engage, 32 Twoed, 34 Wast, 1 Brain, 2 Scit, 3 Co  
5 Root, 6 Bourso, 7 Credit, 9 Decorum, 11 Coarse, 13 Rever  
15 Used, 16 Furten, 18 Fale, 20 Manage, 21 Airing, 23  
25 Noise, 26 Yield, 28 Agos.

**A** STUDY of recent copies of Hungarian newspapers shows that great efforts are being made to adjust the natural gaffe of the Hungarian people to a wrong interpretation of the Kulak problem — even worse, American songs were sung. In future, a clerk from the district council would visit all cafes and night clubs and check the programmes.

The night clubs of Budapest were recently obliged to adopt such inoffensive names as "Moscow," "Budapest," "The Star," in place of their former more enticing and titivating titles. But according to the

**CHANGED ZOO**

**THOUGHT OTHER**

Seventy-three-year-old S. C. Auckland, N.Z.

A writer in "Szabad Nep," complaining about the "possibilities and petit bourgeois music with which his ears were so frequently offended," concludes with this sinister opinion: "We must re-educate the spoilt artistic taste of our people. We cannot separate amusement from education."

In current Hungarian plays and films there seems to be a high content of propaganda.

Payoff By Milk

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# WOMANSENSE

## VICTORIAN ERA OF 1851 INSPIRES 1951's SPRING FESTIVAL BONNETS



Hat on top was inspired by Renoir's CAN-CAN picture. It is a vedda straw toque trimmed with emerald green ostrich feathers. Underneath it is a tip-tilted hat called ROYAL CONSORT, trimmed with dyed, crinkled horse-hair.

(London Express Service)



London's millinery designers held their 1951 Spring hat show at the Savoy. THEME was Victorian—re-creating the 1851 Exhibition. Above is a period bonnet trimmed with roses and bows—there are matching roses on the black, ruched chiffon parasol.

(London Express Service)



A collar of crushed Parma violets tied with matching velvet bow is worn with the toque above. Right: CRYSTAL PALACE 1851. It is in ruched shaded chiffon. Crown is composed entirely of pink roses and wings. A muff matches the chiffon.

(London Express Service)



### TRADITIONAL RECIPE FOR MAKING A GOOD LAWN

A traditional recipe for making a good lawn was once given. It is said to an overland visitor at Oxford University, England. "First you sow the lawn," he was instructed, "then you cut and roll it for a thousand years." There are actually few greens in Britain which are more than 500 or 600 years old; but any gardener knows that only time and loving care will produce a first class lawn.

The best turf in Britain comes from the north of England where bowling greens, lawns and the like are unsurpassed. Lovely, matured and emerald-green in colour, it is frequently cut, rolled and transported to less fortunate parts of the country, much of it being obtained from wild, rainy, sea-washed and mountainous tracts of Cumberland.

For those, however, who are only interested in producing a lawn in the minimum of time, there is a special society which carries out intensive research into the science of lawn culture. Founded at the suggestion and with the support of leading golf clubs and societies, it is engaged in the whole question of producing the best grass for all varieties of greens; for tennis courts, cricket pitches, bowling greens and many other purposes. Its research station is at Bingley, in the English county of Yorkshire, where 1,500 separate plots enable the scientists to study the effects of various fertilisers, weeds, diseases, treatments, and so forth so that good lawns and greens the world over may be produced cheaply and quickly.

### How to Dress Up Plain Food

By ALICE DENHOFF

A LITTLE "dressing-up" can play a fairy godmother to the plainest dish, an important point, since food should have eye as well as palate appeal.

A simple salad or dessert takes on a party air immediately if served in a fancy mould. Spinach loses its dull good-for-you look and just looks good when garnished enticingly. Try hard-cooked yolks pressed through a sieve, with petal-like sections of the egg white. A few slices of tomato or lemon, a parsley or the bright hues of fruit, can put a touch of glamour on almost every dish from soup to dessert. And don't forget the "paints" in

your jam cupboard, to add colour and interest to many otherwise plain desserts and other foods. Fill grapefruit centre cavity with orange marmalade or jam.

#### For the Table

Dainty garnishes, not too elaborate, and of an appropriate flavour, are the best to use, and they do so much for the table. If you have a small daughter, have her help in the preparation of these extra touches. Show her how to make gay little radish roses.

To prepare radish roses, cut off the root and with a sharp knife cut down from the tip towards the stem so that the red covering stands out like flower petals. Drop the radishes in ice water and after an hour or two the petals will curl back lightly.

#### To Curl Celery

To curl celery, cut the inner stalks into 3- or 4-inch pieces. With a sharp knife split each piece down into thin strips, stopping within an inch of the end. Drop into ice water and as they become chilled, the thin strips will curl.

Pickles fans add interest to cold meat dishes. Use small sweet gherkins, first splitting in lengthwise halves, then cutting very thin, parallel sections almost the length of the pickle. Carefully spread the sections like a fan.

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## GIRLS MAGAZINE

### Had Jack Frost Returned?

—It Certainly Felt As If He Had—

By MAX TRELL

"TTS pretty cold tonight," said the shadow-girl with the turned-about name, said to her brother Knarf. "I wonder if it's—?" She hesitated.

Knarf, sitting beside her on the back steps of the house, looked at her. "If—what?" "If... well—I guess not. I just thought that perhaps—but it can't be. No, it can't be at all."

By this time Knarf was so puzzled and so curious to know what Hanid had been thinking that he jumped up and said: "What? What? What?"

Hanid laughed. "Oh, I guess I can tell you. I was wondering if it is so cold tonight because Jack has come back from his vacations."

"Jack? Jack?" "There is no such person as Jack Frost. He's imaginary." "Maybe he is," said Hanid, "and then again, maybe he isn't."

"No one's ever seen him, have they?"

#### Everyone Knows

"No. But everyone knows about him. He's been away all summer on his vacation," she added. "He spends his vacation in South America."

"In South America?" Knarf exclaimed in surprise. "Why does he go to South America in the summertime?"

Hanid said: "When it's summertime in North America, it's wintertime in South America. Jack Frost spends his vacation wherever it's winter."

"Anyway," said Knarf, who didn't understand this too well and who was sure that asking more questions would just make it harder, "anyway, let's look for him. Let's try to find him."

Hanid thought this was a good idea, too. So they both got their coats and started down the path past the raspberry patch in the direction of the pond. For a long while they saw no one. Then all at once Knarf exclaimed: "Look, Hanid!" He pointed excitedly at the stump of the old apple tree of the far end of the orchard.

"Someone's sitting there!" Hanid looked. The sun had already set and it had begun to grow dark. But she could see—or fancied she could see—a small white figure—about the size of a box, sitting cross-legged on the stump.

"They both ran as fast as they could toward the stump! When they reached it, there was no one there!"

"I'm sure I saw him," said Knarf, greatly disappointed. "see him!"



Blinky Mole looks out.

"So did I!" said Hanid. "He ran away when he saw us coming!"

"Was it Jack Frost?" Hanid didn't know. At that moment Blinky Mole, who lived under the apple stump, put out his head. He had a muffled wrapped around it.

"Blinky," said Blinky. "Sure is a cold evening, isn't it?"

"We thought we just saw Jack Frost sitting on the stump of this apple tree," said Knarf.

"Could be," said Blinky, wrapping the muffer as snugly as he could around his head. "I've never seen him. But it certainly felt like him."

#### Still Close By

Hanid was certain that Jack Frost was still somewhere close by, so she and Knarf started searching around. Once more, Knarf, who had climbed over a heap of old logs where the bitter-sweet and the virginia creeper grew, suddenly shouted out: "There he goes! He's going to the pond!"

Knarf and Hanid and Blinky raced down to the pond. Ahead of them they could plainly see the same white figure. He ran so fast that his feet seemed hardly to touch the ground. Once he glanced around, smiled, filled his cheeks with air and blew at them.

The next second there was such a blast of cold wind that Knarf and Hanid turned their backs to it, and Blinky Mole's muffer flew off and blew up to the branches of a tree. By the time they had themselves all collected again, the little figure was gone.

They walked slowly all around the pond. They could find no trace of him. But they did find, at the shallowest end of the pond, a tiny, crinkly piece of ice. "Yes, it was Jack Frost!" Hanid said as they all walked home again. "He left his visiting card..."

"I'm sure I saw him," said Knarf, greatly disappointed. "see him!"

### Rupert's Climbing Adventure—31



Reaching the wood, Rupert waits and listens for the sound of running footsteps which will tell him the Guides are coming. For a time all is silent, and he is giving up hope when he hears his name called very softly.

"Goodness, how you made me jump," he gasps, as he swings round. "Is that you, Beryl?"



"Yes," whispers the Guide. "and Pauline's here, too. We saw your SOS signal and knew there was trouble, so we thought we had better creep up under cover. Now then, what has gone wrong?" So Rupert tells them, as quietly and quickly as he can, about Binky's sound.

"Is that you, Beryl?"

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by Mary Brooks Picken

#### A Wardrobe Standby—Basic Dress With Velvet Trim



Chalk a straight line to left of J for K. L is 4" to 6" above, depending upon fullness desired.

Chalk a line L through J to edge of fabric for M. Mark for dart. Cut from M to L.

#### The Back Gores

Back Gores of Skirt: Lay front skirt over back piece, with centre front fold, 2" in from fold at one end.

Mark along fold of front. Then outline side edge M-L with chalk. Cut along both chalk lines to obtain two back gores with a slightly bias seam at centre.

Making Dress: Apply velvet ribbon to front neck, as in N. Lay right sides together. Stitch down centre front, then back, depth of ribbon. Slash between stitching.

Turn velvet to wrong side. Cut off corner diagonally. Turn raw edge under and stitch free of dress.

Baste shoulder, underarm and side seams of skirt, leaving an opening on left side for a zipper. (This you put in according to instructions in the zipper package).

#### Faced Slash

Face back neck edge and make a 5" faced slash at centre back. Close with hook and eye. Put waist on; tie a string around waist. Put skirt on; pin it to waist at side seams.

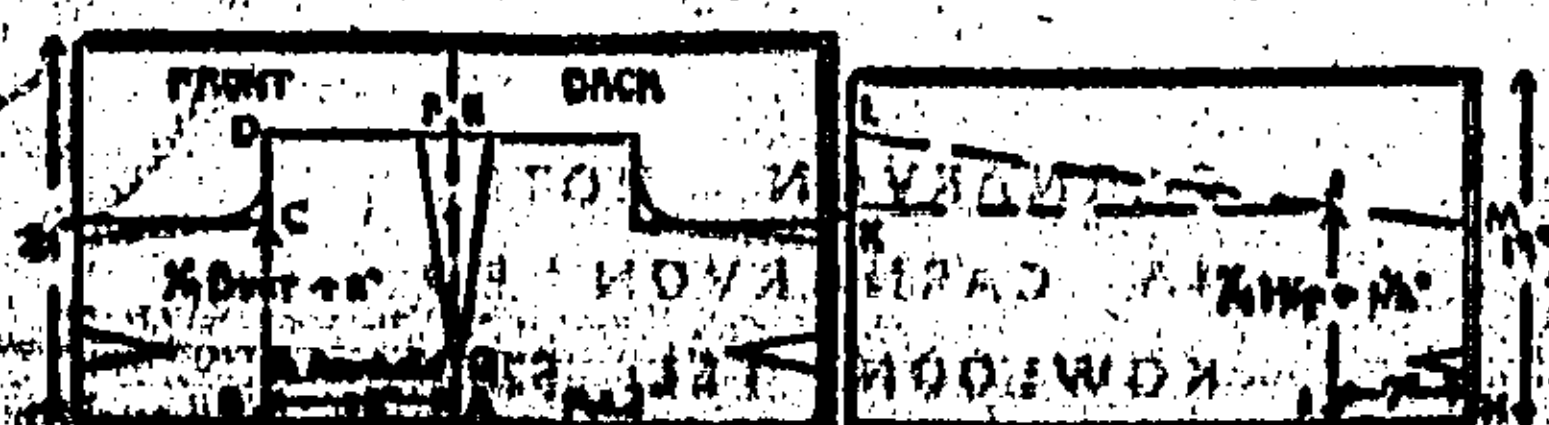
Adjust dart fullness in skirt and waist so they agree in width at waistline. Pin skirt to waist. Decide on skirt length and mark for evenness.

Remove dress. Stitch seams and darts; put zipper in. Even hem edge. Finish with seam binding then slip-stitch hem.

Face bottom of sleeves on wrong side with velvet ribbon. Turn to right side to make cuff.

Braided Belt: Using the 2" strips, make 3 strips, each 1/3 longer than waistline. Fold each strip lengthwise and stitch 1/4" from edge. Turn tubing right-side out.

Fusion: 3 ends together and braid to make a belt. Finish ends by turning under and whipping securely. Use hook and eye to close.



### Romance Is In The Air

NEW YORK—Romance is airborne for many a flight stewardess but strictly grounded for her male counterpart.

Commercial airlines often complain of the loss of their pretty and carefully-trained stewardesses, who fall in love with the passengers and marry them.

Stewards are fairly safe from high-flying Cupids. Eastern Air Lines, which employs 420 stewards, said some of its men often dated passengers but it rarely resulted in marriage. About half of the men are husbands but married to girls they met after hours.

Eastern and most other commercial lines have a rule against a stewardess working after wedding bells, but the rule doesn't apply to men.

Why don't stewards marry girls they meet on flights? Steward Joseph Carney, good-looking and single, said it was rather hard to explain.

#### Dating Not Easy

"The ones we'd like to know better either already have a guy lined up or are cagey about dating a fellow they just met," he said.

He added, "we get our share of obvious passes, but a fellow has to watch his reputation too."

The line doesn't mind if the steward, or pursuer as he also is called, makes a date with a passenger, if it's done discreetly.

Eastern boasts of being the only large domestic line with a predominantly male steward staff. It added that the high marriage rate of stewardesses had nothing to do with this policy.

A spokesman explained that men can give better passenger service. People don't mind asking a man for a favour but will hesitate to ask a girl.

#### Make Good Husbands

Even if the women passengers don't snare the stewards, whoever does gets a good husband. They are trained by the lines in such at-home duties as meal serving and child care.

Steward James Kiley said his training came in handy when his son was born. The course the line gives all stewards includes instruction in feeding, diapering and burping the baby.

Stewards carry cookies, comics, and colouring books as part of their standard equipment. They also can improvise to appease a fussy child.

Kiley's specialty is conversion of a small pillow, such as airlines carry, into a doll. He wraps an elastic band around its middle and draws a face with a pencil.

Both men agreed that children are less trouble than adults. They explained "the combination of high altitude and motion of the plane lulls them to sleep. More effective than a rocking chair!"

—United Press.

### From A Famous Designer

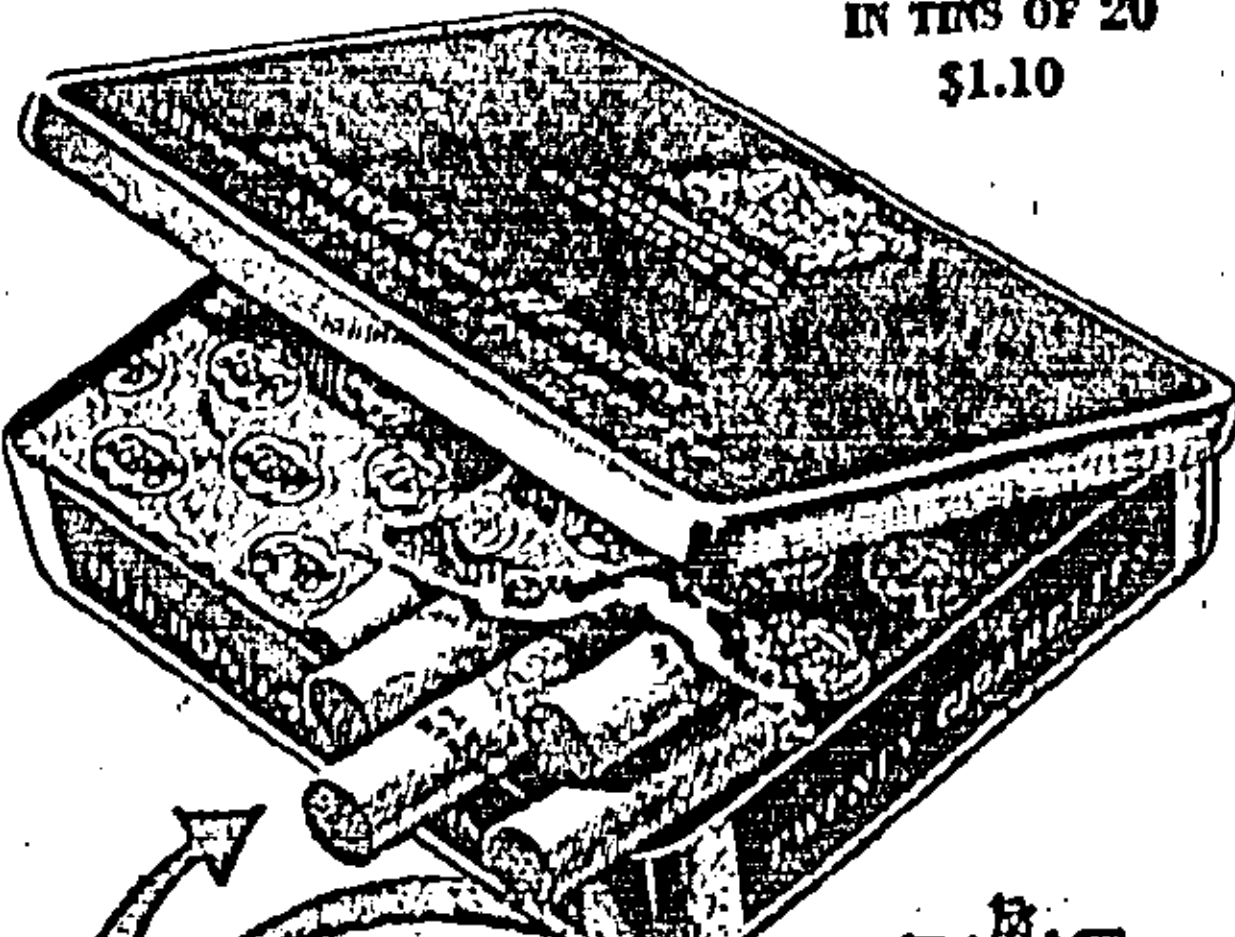




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THE AUTHOR

I SAT back in my seat in the Lord Chief Justice's court and knew I should never see it again. I had made my last appearance in any court.

I could not complain. I had enjoyed a long innings, and it was time to make way for younger men.

Fortune had not been kind. I had climbed a long, steep road, and had managed to achieve a fair measure of success, and now it was time to go. After all, it is better to leave from the top of the hill than to wait until you begin to slip down the other side.

I looked round the court I had loved so well. It seemed precisely the same as it had seemed on the day I first entered it so many years ago. The faces were different—that was the only change; all the old ones had gone.

I suppose I ought to have seen the ghosts of old friends, but I did not—the years had been too happy to leave ghosts behind—but I permitted myself the luxury of memories.

## Court memories

The court was full of memories. I had seen well-known men and women fighting out their life stories within those walls; I had taken part in legal cases of all kinds; tragic stories, pathetic stories, foolish stories. And there were other stories, of no interest to anyone except myself. Stories of small and unimportant cases.

Memories of those little cases began to crowd back upon me; memories of the time when each case was vitally important, and left a foot-mark on the road I had chosen; when each victory was a long climb up the hill. Their details may be forgotten, but their memories will stay with me for ever.

The Associate discharged the jury—the last jury who would be compelled to suffer from my oratory—and called the next case.

A young barrister rose timidly in his place; he was almost a boy and was obviously his first case. He was shaking in every limb; his hands were scarcely able to untie the tape which bound his brief; his voice was cracked with nervousness. He was starting off the long and winding road that I had left behind.

But he was in the wrong place. I could have warned him that the Lord Chief Justice's court is not the place in which to learn his work.

He should have begun at the bottom, probably by devilling for someone else, in a case that did not matter, in a court he could not find.

## Devilling

No friends could help him, the patronage of kind relations is merely transitory; his future must depend on strangers who will have heard him floundering through the mazes of his ignorance and indecision until at last they come to the conclusion that the boy begins to look as though he is going to be some good.

I had begun my legal life by devilling, that wonderful system by which a young man works for someone else at someone else's expense.

The first brief entrusted to me was not important, but I remember that it was marked with the magnificent fee of one guinea, and consisted of two sheets of foolscap.

For a long time I devilled without ceasing, struggling to overcome my ignorance, and hoping against hope that some misguided solicitor's clerk might imagine that I was going to be some good.

And then at last the moment came. A stranger spoke to me as I left the court.

"Young man," he said, "you managed to put up a damned good fight."

That night he left at my chambers a small brief of my own.

At that time motor cars were not so universal as they are today and horse-drawn vans were a familiar sight. Also, among the trams in the southern parts of London, were some which, after years of service, projected slightly above the roadway.

## Decrepit vans

And as the usefulness of horse-drawn vans diminished, so the occasions increased in which aged and decrepit vans were managed to catch their wheels in projecting tramlines. As a result, the wheels came off and the van suffered partial or even total collapse.

Even the van horses suffered from the occurrences, and, as van horses were somewhat of a premium, insurance companies began to feel the strain.

These accidents were too frequent to be ignored. The claims must be disputed, and that meant a trial in court. So my first days as an advocate were passed in an atmosphere of decrepit horses.

The opportunities for advocacy in this highest sense were surprisingly small. To cross-examine a van-driver, whose van has collapsed in the street, in the hope of establishing that his wheel did not come off, is a somewhat hopeless task for a beginner, so I decided to concentrate on the vans themselves.

I learned a great deal about vans, and also about the ingenuity of people who wanted to make claims on insurance companies.

## On last legs

I heard of vans obviously on their last legs, which were driven through the highways of southern London, apparently looking for an accommodating projection in a tramline. I even came across vans let out for that purpose, although, when the accident occurred and the case came into court, the value of the relic seemed out of all proportion to its decrepitude.

The horses themselves were also a useful object of inquiry, and there I was greatly helped by a clever veterinary surgeon, named John Coleman, who was, among other things, veterinary surgeon to Sandown Park race course. He was a past master of the art of persuading a judge of the true value of a decrepit horse.

Coleman owned a racehorse named Sublim, who had won a famous race and then broken down.

Coleman patched him up and although Sublim's legs looked like something in a pantomime, he won many races on them.

Generally the old horse would amble along, 100 yards behind his field, and then on his next outing would surprise everybody by winning with the greatest ease. It was all a question of how he happened to be feeling.

## Good news

Coleman once asked me, if I ever backed horses, and when I told him I did not, he said: "Quite right. It's a mug's game. Never back a horse unless I tell you to."

He told me to back Sublim twice, and each time it won. I once backed it without waiting Coleman's good advice, and the old horse was still plodding round the course when the next race had started.

With Coleman and I on these cases was also a gentleman, whose name I forget, who was an expert on obsolete vans, and between us we managed to reduce the claims until the game was hardly worth the candle, and I felt I was an authority on defective tram lines.

And then, out of the blue, came good news. I was promoted to the more important task of dealing with old ladies who fell off omnibuses.

At that time omnibuses were not as perfect as they are today. Sometimes they would start, sometimes they started with such enthusiasm that old ladies fell off the platform at the back.

Sometimes, no doubt, the accident was genuine, and the passenger really injured, but there came a time when it was appreciated that such misfortunes could be extremely profitable.

Omnibus companies would rather pay than fight, and unscrupulous individuals began to take advantage. What had once been misfortune became a habit.

## Standardised

Old ladies began to fall off omnibuses with surprising regularity; in fact, some old ladies made a profession of it.

The procedure became almost standardised. As the conductor rang his bell an old lady would raise her foot on the step. The omnibus would start, with or without a jerk, causing the old lady to subside into the gutter.

There she would lie, moaning with pain, until an ambulance removed her to hospital.

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### The Hilarious Case of the Old Lady Who Fell Off A Bus

There careful examination would discover no reason for her detention, and she would be advised to go home.

Then followed a most curious sequence of events. On leaving the hospital she would be accompanied by a sympathetic bystander, who would place her tenderly in a cab and accompany her not to her home, but to the office of an even more sympathetic solicitor.

What happened between them could only be a matter for surmise, but when next heard of the old lady would be found unconscious in the arms of a medical man who had discovered that the accident had caused a serious complaint which he diagnosed as "traumatic neurasthenia."

## Curious diet

This remarkable form of illness had sprung into notoriety much at the same time as motor omnibuses had appeared on the streets, and it possessed certain curious features.

There were no outward and visible signs of its existence; indeed its symptoms were both undetectable and indisputable, and consisted of headaches, nervousness, sleeplessness and inability to do any work.

The treatment was equally mysterious, requiring repeated visits to a specialist, undertaken in the most expensive manner; large expenditure on chemists, and a curious form of diet known as "extra nourishment," which consisted of enormous quantities of eggs, butter and beef-tea, with occasional doses of the best brandy, all of which tended to increase the bill presented to the omnibus company.

It is scarcely surprising that eventually the companies decided that these bills must be disputed, and there arose a flood of litigation, in which the central figures were these unhappy ladies and their traumatic neurasthenia.

It was into this branch of legal activities that I was promoted.

It soon became apparent to me that, just as in the case of the decrepit vans, these cases were mainly barefaced frauds. Indeed, I began to fear that my future life would consist in fighting frauds.

There was another similarity between the old ladies and the vans; it was practically impossible to prove, either by cross-examination or otherwise, that the accident had not happened.

## Good case

When an old lady is seen by a sympathetic crowd to be lying groaning in a gutter, it is a hopeless task to suggest that she has placed herself there of her own accord, unless there is the one spark of a gross exaggeration, in her claim that her whole conduct became suspect, and a jury might be persuaded to disbelieve every word she said.

That was the course it was decided to adopt. The best case available was to be chosen and a concerted attack made on every item of the plaintiff's claim, and even on the persons who had helped her to make it, in the hope that the whole fraud might be exposed.

I was delighted. It was the chance I had been waiting for. I could only hope that a good case might be brought to me to fight; and at length a good case came along.

It was the usual story: the old lady, the visit to the solicitor, the appearance of the specialist with his traumatic neurasthenia and the extra nourishment, only in this case they were particularly pronounced. The specialist himself was a trifle open to suspicion.

He was a somewhat peculiar specialist. He had frequently been known to attend old ladies in precisely similar circumstances, and that, no doubt, was the reason why he was able to find anything wrong with her.

## Experiments

He undoubtedly possessed an address in Harley-street—although he seldom occupied his room, which was apparently in the basement—but he was generally to be found in a back street in Walworth, where he carried on his general practice.

As the injured lady herself lived in the neighbourhood of Walworth, it was thought surprising that she should prefer to pay two guineas apiece for her many visits to Harley-street rather than the more modest fee charged by the same medical gentleman when occupying his surgery off the Walworth-road.

So it was decided to make some experiments into the habits of the specialist, and the office boy employed by the solicitor paid him a visit at his house in Walworth.

Being an intelligent young man he knew all the symptoms of traumatic neurasthenia, having learned them from reading the plaintiff's claim, and he told the specialist he was suffering from them all.

The doctor gave him a cursory examination, for which he charged one shilling, and a bottle of medicine, for which he charged an extra threepence, and foretold a quick recovery.

## Maximum fee

But, in case a jury should think that the extremely moderate charge was due to the obvious youth of the patient, it was decided to send an older visitor on a similar errand, and accordingly, a clerk paid a visit to the Walworth-road.

He too, was suffering from traumatic neurasthenia and so, not unnaturally, he received the same attention and, strangely enough, at the same charge of one guinea, plus threepence for the medicine.

A still more important patient was thought desirable, and so the managing clerk himself was called at the surgery. He was attired in a splendour surpassing that usually enjoyed by managing

clerks. He wore a frock coat of surpassing elegance, shiny boots, and in his hand he bore a new top hat. In his case the maximum fee would obviously be demanded. It was.

For precisely the same treatment, for precisely the same complaint, he was charged two shillings and the medicine cost him sixpence.

In due course the case came to court and the plaintiff was constrained to tell her story. Her faltering progress towards the witness-box was somewhat out of keeping with her robust appearance, but once firmly established in the box, she displayed every symptom of advanced traumatic neurasthenia; her nerves were shattered, and her memory had gone. On that point she was quite determined.

She remembered the omnibus starting with a jerk, and after that she remembered no more. She could not remember the name of the friend who took her to the solicitor, or whether that friend had met her for the first time on the steps of the hospital.

## Serious view

Her sufferings had been terrible and were not improving. Before the accident she had earned immense sums as a charwoman, but now, alas, she could work no more; it must have been her husband who had paid the large sums charged for medicines, but he had been far too worried to obtain receipts, and so for the extra nourishment, it had been forced on her.

I thought I observed suspicion creeping into the jury's mind, and even the specialist seemed a trifle worried as he stepped into the witness box.

He looked extremely grave; he took a serious view of the stout lady's condition; traumatic neurasthenia was most difficult to cure, and even more difficult to diagnose. He was not in the least surprised that no other doctor could find any touch of it.

I was obliged to screw my courage to its highest point to cross-examine such a distinguished witness. I asked him if he was not accustomed to treat and cure such cases at a shilling a time and threepence for the medicine.

The doctor smiled contemptuously. The question was ridiculous, he said. I invited Mr. Thompson to step forward. With a bound the office boy appeared in the well of the court, clasping a bottle of medicine.

## Unable to say

I asked if Mr. Thompson was a patient suffering from this serious complaint. The doctor was quite sure he was not.

I am afraid I stated, quite improperly, that as Mr. Thompson had learned his symptoms from those set out in the statement of claim in the present action, he was not likely to be mistaken about his illness.

I asked if he had been cured at the price of one shilling for attendance and threepence for the medicine, and the bottle of medicine was handed up with a request that the doctor should

tell us if it was a good cure for traumatic neurasthenia.

The doctor was unable to say without analysis, and as for the charge of a shilling he did a great deal of work for charity.

That answer seemed to call for the appearance of the clerk. Mr. Smith stepped into the well of the court, and he, too, clasped a bottle of medicine.

Had he suffered from precisely the same symptoms and been cured at precisely the same cost, and been presented with precisely the same medicine?

The doctor felt affronted by the question and appealed to the judge for protection, but the Learned Judge was beginning to enjoy himself. He did not stop the cross-examination.

The witness was becoming flustered. He could only explain that his patients were sometimes of the poorer class.

That was the moment we had been waiting for. He was asked, if he were visited by a wealthy patient, would that patient be charged a proper fee?

Of course, he replied.

## Dismissed

The managing clerk rose gravely to his feet, displaying every evidence of wealth. His frock-coat must have been the envy of every onlooker, and his boots were immaculate, and his hand was clasped a glorious top hat.

Slowly, and almost sadly, he drew from his tall pocket a familiar bottle. Here was a wealthy patient who had been cured at the maximum fee of two shillings for the attention and sixpence for the medicine.

By this time the court was hilarious, and when it was pointed out that if only the unhappy plaintiff had been charged at Walworth, instead of Harley-street rates, she would have been able to attend the specialist every night for about three years, the onlookers rocked with laughter.

Only one more simple calculation was required. If the medicine for which we were being asked to pay had been dispensed by the specialist himself on his usual terms, the plaintiff would have enjoyed enough to have cured the whole of Walworth of traumatic neurasthenia.

This obvious exaggeration was to discredit the whole case. The jury found for the defendant; the action was dismissed and the plaintiff got nothing. And I began to think my education was nearing completion.

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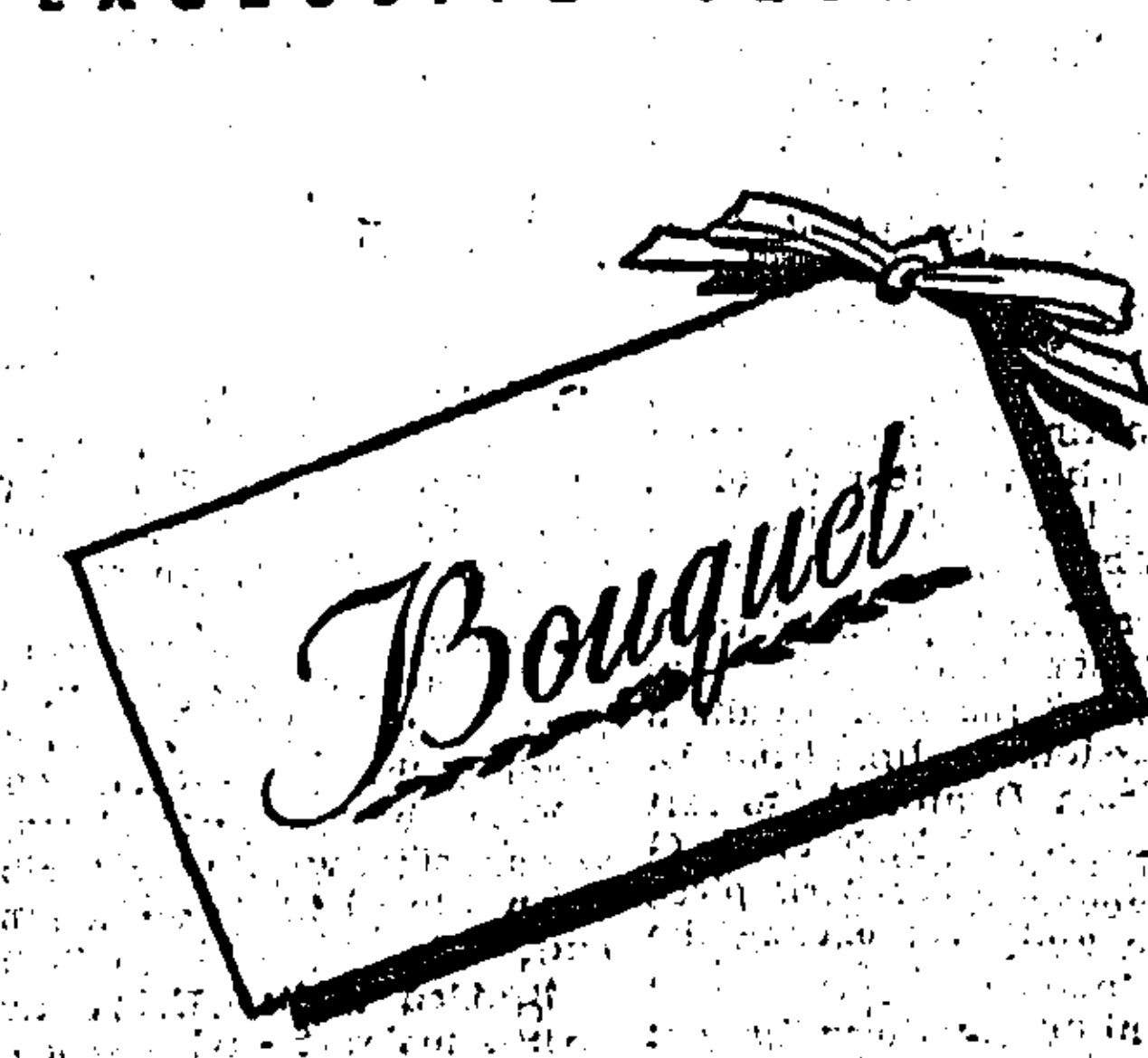
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## Chapter 23 Of "The Hinge Of Fate"

# MONTGOMERY TO LEAD THE EIGHTH ARMY

BY WINSTON CHURCHILL

I SPENT all August 7 visiting the 51st Highland Division, who had just landed. As I went up the stairs after dinner at the Embassy I met Col. Jacob. "This is bad about Gott," he said. "What has happened?" "He was shot down this afternoon flying into Cairo." I certainly felt grief and impoverishment at the loss of this splendid soldier, to whom I had resolved to confide the most direct fighting task in the impending battle.

All my plans were dislocated. The removal of Auchinleck from the Supreme Command was to have been balanced by the appointment to the Eighth Army of a man with all his Desert experience and prestige, and the whole covered by Alexander's assumption of the Middle East. What was to happen now?

Prime Minister to Deputy Prime Minister, 7 Aug. 42.

Deeply regret Gott has just been shot down in the air and killed.

There could be no doubt who his successor should be.

C.I.G.S. decisively recommends Montgomery for Eighth Army. Smuts and I feel this post must be filled at once. Pray send him by special plane at earliest moment.

Advise me when he will arrive.

### Acute moment

It appeared that the War Cabinet had already assembled at 11.15 p.m. on August 7 to deal with my telegrams of that day, which had just been decoded. Discussion was still proceeding upon them when a secretary came in with my new messages, stating that Gott was dead, secondly, asking that Gen. Montgomery should be sent out at once.

I have been told this was an acute moment for our friends in Downing Street. However, as I have several times observed, they had been through much and took it doggedly. They sat till nearly dawn, agreed in all essentials to what I had proposed, and gave the necessary orders about Montgomery.

When sending my message to the Cabinet telling them of Gott's death I asked that Gen. Eisenhower should not be told that we had proposed to give him Montgomery in place of Alexander. But this was too late; he had been told already. The further change of plan involved a consequent dislocation of a vexatious kind in the preparation of "Torch" [the forthcoming landing in French North Africa]. Alexander had been chosen to command the British First Army in that great enterprise. He had already worked for some weeks with Gen. Eisenhower. They were getting on splendidly together, as they always did.

### Two changes

Now Alexander had been taken from him for the Middle East. Ismay was sent to convey the news and my apologies to Eisenhower for this break in continuity and disturbance of contacts which this abrupt necessity of war compelled. Ismay dilated upon Montgomery's brilliant qualities as a commander in the field. Montgomery arrived at Eisenhower's headquarters almost immediately, and all the civilities of a meeting of this kind between the commanders of armies of different nations woven into a single enterprise had been discharged.

The very next morning, the 8th, Eisenhower had to be informed that Montgomery must fly that day to Cairo to command the Eighth Army. This task also fell to Ismay. Eisenhower was a broad-minded man, practical, serviceable, dealing with events as they came in cool selflessness. He naturally, however, felt disconcerted by the two changes in two days in this vital part of the war operation confided to him. He was now to welcome a third British Commander.

### Story of Monty

Can we wonder that he asked Ismay, "Are the British really taking 'Torch' seriously?" Nevertheless the death of Gott was a war fact which a good soldier understood. Gen. Alexander was appointed to all the vacancies, and Montgomery started for the airfield with Ismay, who had had an hour or more to give him the background of these sudden changes.

conversation. Montgomery spoke of the trials and hazards of a soldier's career. He gave his whole life to his profession, and lived long years of study and self-restraint. Presently fortune smiled, there came a gleam of success, he gained advancement, opportunity presented itself, he had a great command.

He won a victory, he became world-famous, his name was on every lip. Then the luck changed. At one stroke all his life's work flashed away, perhaps through no fault of his own, and he was flung into the endless catalogue of military failures.

"But," expostulated Ismay, "you ought not to take it so badly as all that. A very fine army is gathering in the Middle East. It may well be that you are not going to disaster."

them in order to feed and rearm the fighting line.

This was a staggering blow for these eager men. It was my task to go from brigade to brigade and explain to all the officers gathered together, two or three hundred at a time, why they must suffer this mutilation after all their zeal and toil. But I had good news as well. The 300 Sherms were already approaching through the Red Sea, and in a fortnight the division would begin to be armed with the most powerful armoured vehicles current at that time.

I told them the story of my morning with the President and Gen. Marshall on the morrow of Tobruk how these Sherms had been longed and thirsted for by the 1st United States Armoured Division, and how they

than orally, I sent Col. Jacob by air to his headquarters with the following letter:

Cairo, Aug. 8, 1942.

Dear Gen. Auchinleck.

On June 23 you raised in your telegram to the C.I.G.S. the question of your being relieved in this Command, and you mentioned the name of Gen. Alexander as a possible successor. At that time of crisis to the Army his Majesty's Government did not wish to avail themselves of your high-minded offer. At the same time you had taken over the offensive command of the battle, as I had long desired and had suggested to you in my telegram of May 20. You stemmed the adverse tide, and at the present time the front is stabilised.

The War Cabinet have now decided, for the reasons which you yourself had used, that the moment has come for a change. It is proposed to detach Iraq and Persia from the present Middle Eastern theatre. Gen. Alexander will be appointed to command the Middle East, Montgomery to command the Eighth Army, and I offer you the command of Iraq and Persia, including the Tenth Army, with headquarters at Basra or Baghdad.

### Smaller sphere

It is true that this sphere is today smaller than the Middle East, but it may in a few months become the scene of decisive operations and reinforcements for the Tenth Army are already on the way. In this theatre, of which you have special experience, you will preserve your associations with India.

I hope, therefore, that you will comply with my wish and directions with the same disinterested public spirit that you have shown on all occasions. Alexander will arrive almost immediately, and I hope that early next week, subject of course to the movements of the enemy, it may be possible to effect the transfer of responsibility on the Western battle-front with the utmost smoothness and efficiency.

I shall be very glad to see you at any convenient time if you should so desire.

Bellows me,  
Yours sincerely,  
Winston S. Churchill.

P.C. Col. Jacob who bears this letter, is also charged by me to express my sympathy in the sudden loss of Gen. Gott.

### Mind fixed

In the evening Jacob returned. Auchinleck had received this stroke with soldierly dignity. He was unwilling to accept the new command, and would come to see me the next day. Jacob's diary records:

The Prime Minister was asleep. He awoke at six o'clock, and I had to recount to him as best I could what had passed

between me and Gen. Auchinleck. C.I.G.S. joined us...

The Prime Minister's mind is entirely fixed on the defeat of Rommel, and on getting Gen. Alexander into complete charge of the operations in the Western Desert. He does not understand how a man can remain in Cairo while great events are occurring in the Desert and leave the conduct of them to someone else.

He strode up and down declaiming on this point, and he means to have his way. "Rommel, Rommel, Rommel, Rommel!" he cried. "What else matters but beating him?"

### Meets The Auk

On the morning of August 9 Gen. Alexander arrived, and breakfasted with the C.I.G.S. and me. Gen. Auchinleck reached Cairo just after midday, and we had an hour's conversation, which was at once bleak and impeccable. I telegraphed accordingly.

Prime Minister to Gen. Ismay, 10 Aug. 42.

Gen. Auchinleck is disinclined to accept the command of the Iraq - Persia theatre. As, however, I am convinced that he is the best man for the job, I have given him a few days more to consider the matter further. I shall not press him unduly, but I am anxious that he should not take his decision while under the immediate effects of the blow, which he has accepted with dignity, but naturally not without distress.

General Alexander came back to see me that evening, and final arrangements for the changes in command were drafted.

### Directive

Prime Minister to Gen. Ismay for those concerned, 10 Aug. 42.

I have given Gen. Alexander the following directive, which is most agreeable to him, and in which C.I.G.S. concurs:

1. Your prime and main duty will be to take or destroy at the earliest opportunity the German-Italian Army commanded by Field-Marshal Rommel, together with all its supplies and establishments in Egypt and Libya.
2. You will discharge or cause to be discharged such other duties as pertain to your Command, without prejudice to the task described in paragraph 1, which must be considered paramount in his Majesty's interests.

It may no doubt be possible in a later phase of the war to alter the emphasis of this directive, but I am sure that simplicity of task and singleness of aim are imperative now.

Alexander's reply sent six months later will be recorded in due course.

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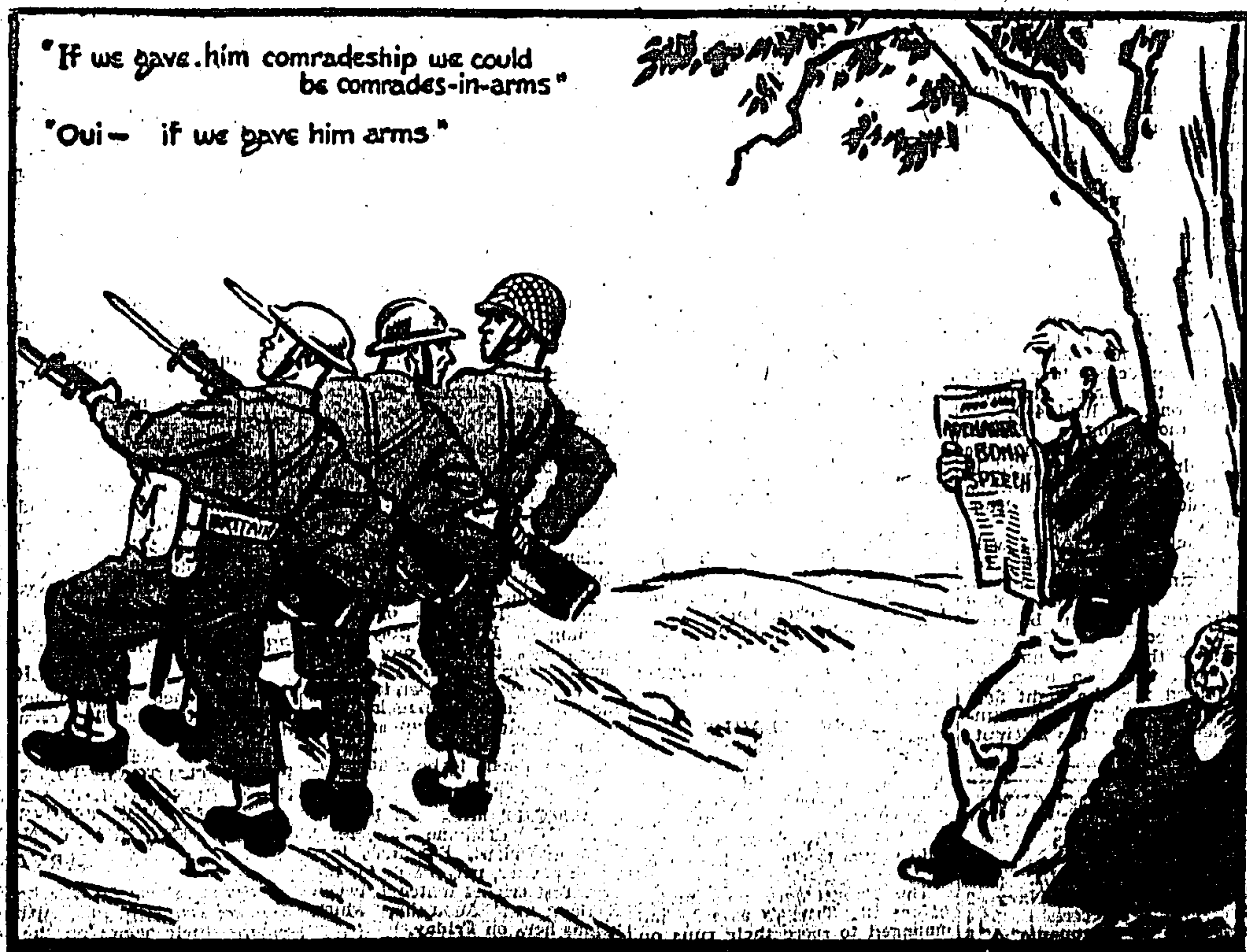
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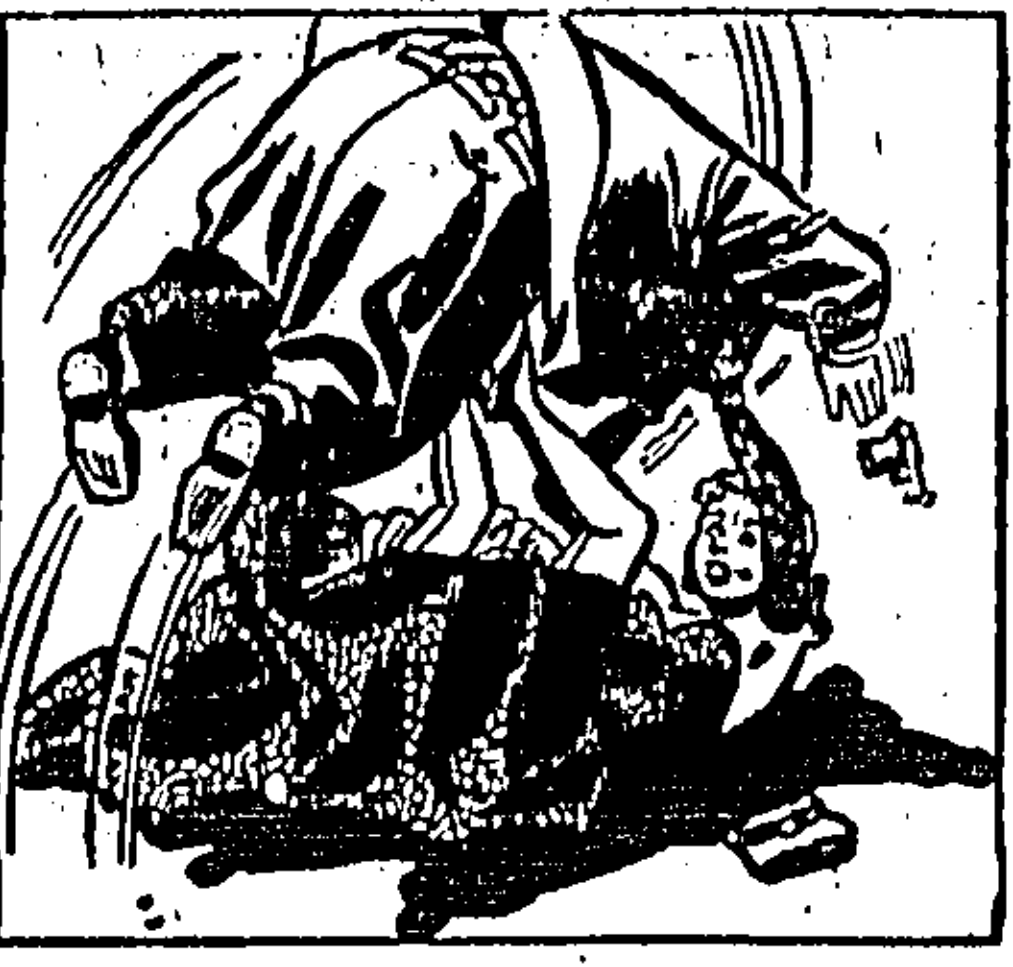












## • BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

THE inspector entered Marine House and cornered the one lodger who was not qualified to play the part of an American tourist—the rather staid and old-fashioned Mr Chadstone, a librarian.

"Name?" asked the inspector. "Hiram H. Chadstone," said Mr Chadstone, nervously, in an English accent. "Where'd you get your English accent?" "Went to school—er—campus at Chelmsford." "Home address?" "70401 North East Middle 725th Street, New Orleans." "Business?" "Lumber King." Here Mr Chadstone removed a fruit pastille, which he had been chewing, from his mouth, and stuck it defiantly under the seat of a chair. "I must be getting to the hell out of here," said Mr Chadstone. "What's the hurry?" asked the inspector. "I have an appointment with a lady," said the librarian. "And oh my boy, is she nifty or is she not nifty. I am telling you, sir, she and I are going to places, if I have to burst this entire joint wide open." "You Yanks!" said the inspector with a smile. "I shall be seeing you," replied Mr Chadstone, and added, rather uncertainly, "Hot dogs! Yippy! Ouch!"

### Something to declare

IT is said that the insatiable appetite of the European Zouls for elephants has led to smuggling on the Burma-Siam frontier. "And what is in this?" says the Customs official, indicating a huge crate, 20ft. high. "My winter underclothes," replies the shift-eyed passenger.

### Following in father's footsteps

A boy who came into school on all fours said he had seen his father do it in the kitchen. (News item.)

THAT is what is called settling a ludicrous example to the young, and the father should have said, "If you keep on copying what I do this, it will become a habit, and when you grow up you will get nothing but bones to eat." Which leads to the story of the film star who was dining with an admirer. A second admirer was hovering in a corner of the restaurant, sick with jealousy, and casting imploring eyes at the girl. "Throw him a

### INTELLIGENCE TEST

#### A solemn occasion

By T. O. HARE

THE little Committee Room at the club isn't often used. But it happened to look into it last night and saw three members seated in conference round the old-fashioned mahogany table. A glass of whisky at each elbow emphasized the solemnity of the occasion. Colonel Saddlebag sat to the left of the architect. The stockbroker sat to the right of Laura's husband. Olivia's husband sat to the right of old Muddugge, and the underwriter to the left of his close friend, Willie. Which of the three is a bachelor?

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### POCKET CARTOON



bone, Pete," said the girl languidly. A bit of a muddle SOME dustmen who carted away unburnable coal complained that putrid eggs, painted black, were found in the stuff in large quantities. This has led many people to search for eggs among their coal, and, sometimes, to boll bits of coal by mistake. A directive should be sent out at once. The Government obviously cannot guarantee that new-laid coal will contain grade-A eggs, or that eggs, by the time they are distributed, will remain fit for fuel.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

IF you are born today, you have an energetic outlook on life and see it in exciting and dramatic colouring. You will always do your best work when leading a venture or working independently of outside authority. Since you are highly individualistic, you will never like to be coerced or guided by the opinions or demands of others.

Your sense of duty is strong and you will make personal sacrifices to complete any project to which you are committed. Your impatience with those whose minds are less agile than your own may make enemies for you, but your magnetic personality will draw others into your orbit of ideology. Make sure that your standards are always held high, for you can become an important influence upon your contemporary scene. Your marriage to someone who is intellectually compatible should be a happy and harmonious one. To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Be cheerful and optimistic, for your influence upon another who is depressed can be helpful. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Avoid all kinds of subterfuge by being frank and open with all. Keep out of any argument. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If tensions are climbing, get into the country. Outdoor sports can be helpful. **PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Get your proper rest these days if you want to be alert and efficient on the job. **ARIES** (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—A drive into the country can prove healthful and enjoyable. Get some fresh air. **TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Don't clutter up your life with non-essentials. Time-saving methods are necessary for success. **GEMINI** (May 22-June 22)—Think twice before confiding in

others. You could be an object of gossip unless you are careful. **CANCER** (June 23-July 23)—Self-reliance is important just now. Be an inspiration to friends, perhaps, who need your help. **LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23)—Don't let hypocritical associates undermine your best plans for success. Stand on your own feet. **VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—A new plan of procedure may speed up your activities considerably. Your ideas are good ones. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Let your ideas speak out loudly. If challenged, defend your plans for action bravely. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Independence of action now will prove rewarding. You should find bargains today, if hunting them.

## • BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN  
BELIEVE all you hear any time a train whistles for a crossing!

A Frenchman invented the tin can in 1809. How about a toast to his memory, brides?



Razor blades are reported being sold in some restaurants. Before or after they're used to slice meat?

When Eskimos spank their children we bet they make the fur fly.

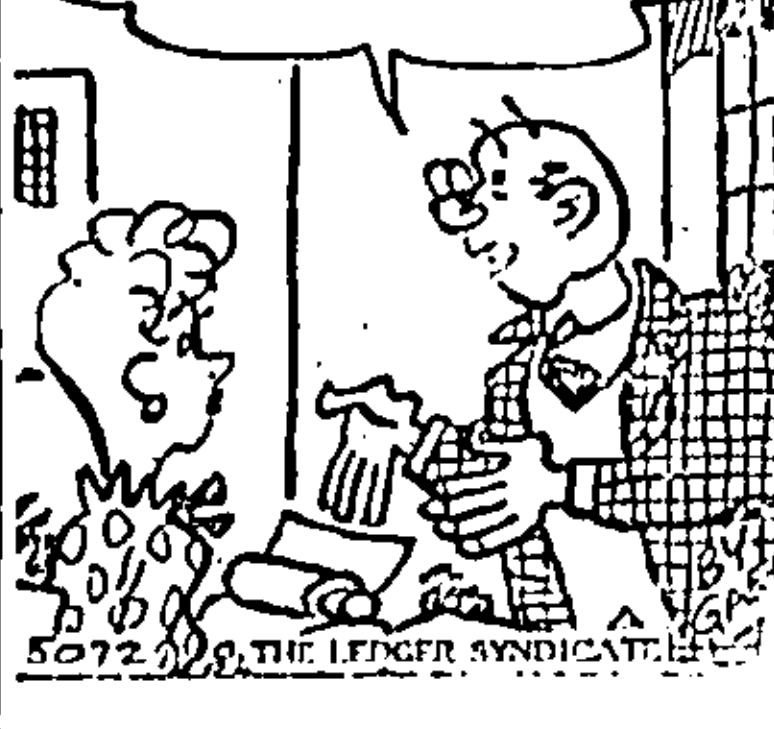
Little girls are young people who are not very likely to be of much help to their mothers later on.

## Check Your Knowledge

- Who conceived the plan of the Suez Canal?
- What is a roundhouse?
- Where was George Bernard Shaw born?
- Where is the island of Zealand?
- Name the principal opera house in New York City.
- What is the name of the city in which the Statue of Liberty stands?
- What is the name of the city in which the Eiffel Tower stands?
- What is the name of the city in which the Colosseum stands?
- What is the name of the city in which the Leaning Tower of Pisa stands?
- What is the name of the city in which the Great Wall of China stands?

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## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Take-Out Bid May Prevent Disaster

By OSWALD JACOBY

"PLEASE tell us what went wrong with us on this hand," asks a Tacoma fan.

"West opened the ten of spades, and East overtook with the jack to return his low trump. South finessed the nine of hearts and West won with the ten. West returned his remaining spade, and East won with the nine. East then returned the jack of hearts.

"It didn't really matter what South did on this trick. He was bound to lose three diamonds, three trumps, two spades, and a club. He was down four for a penalty of 1100 points!

"It seemed to us that South had a fairly good overall. After all, what are you supposed to do with a fairly strong five-card suit in a hand that contains about three honour tricks? If you keep passing such cards the enemy will steal every hand. "West's double was very close and probably a very fine bid, but this does not settle the problem of what South should have done with his hand. Was it worth a bid or wasn't it?" It was worth action, but it was not worth a bid. South

♠	7 3	♥	Q J 10 9 8	♦	Q J 10 9 8	♣	Q J 10 9 8
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should have doubled for a take-out instead of bidding two hearts.

There is no game unless South strikes his partner with a fairly good hand. If North has a good hand he will hasten to make a strong response to the take-out double.

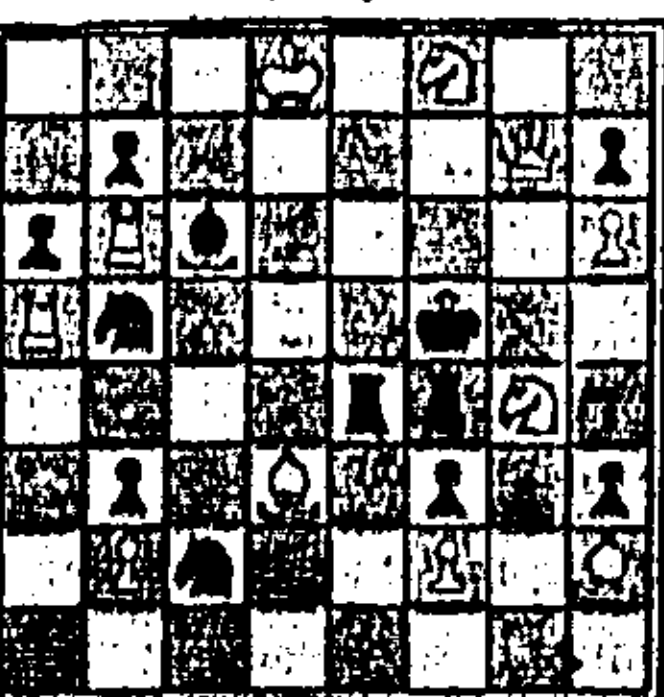
If North has a moderately strong hand, North and South may be able to out-bid their opponents and play the hand at a reasonable part-score contract. If North has a weak hand, the advantage of the double is that it allows North to bid his best suit immediately. This will probably be the best spot to play the hand.

If South had doubled, North would have bid two clubs. It is perfectly true that two clubs could not be made, North can expect to win four club tricks, one heart and perhaps a spade ruff. At best, he would be down two tricks. However, there is no double of two clubs. East and West would probably wind up playing the hand at four spades or three no-trump, making a game. This, however, would be a lot cheaper than giving them 1100 points.

The vital point is that when your hand warrants some defensive action it may be more advisable to make a take-out double than to bid your own best suit. If your own suit is at all doubtful, it is advisable to give partner a chance to name his suit.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By F. ZIVKOVIC  
Black, 12 pieces.





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SINGAPORE, JAVA PORTS and MACASSAR	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
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"TJIPONDOK"	7th Dec.	7th Dec.
"TJIKAMPEK"	15th Dec.	10th Jan. '51
"BOISSEVAIN"	18th Jan. '51	7th Mar. '51

JAPAN	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"TJIKAMPEK"	5th Dec.	10th Dec.
"TJIPONDOK"	15th Dec.	20th Dec.
"BOISSEVAIN"	4th Jan. '51	23rd Jan. '51

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"MELISKERE"	Mid Jan. '51	10th Feb. '51

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"MARINKERE"	8th Jan. '51	18th Dec.
"MELISKERE"	9th Feb. '51	Mid Jan. '51



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"ALASKA"	San Francisco	Dec. 1	Dec. 2	San Francisco & Alaska
"VICTORY"	San Francisco	Dec. 1	Dec. 2	San Francisco & Alaska
"ALASKA"	San Francisco	Dec. 1	Dec. 2	San Francisco & Alaska
"VICTORY"	San Francisco	Dec. 1	Dec. 2	San Francisco & Alaska

## World Producing More Wool

Washington, Nov. 26.  
The Agriculture Department Bulletin "Foreign Crops and Markets" said world wool production is continuing to rise, and estimated that 1950 production will total 4,000,000 pounds, an increase of 140,000,000 pounds over 1949.

The report said, "Demand had been stronger for fine wools. Production in major importing countries showed a high overall increase and there were indications in most consuming countries that the downward trend of production may be halted."—United Press.

## MOVES FOR CURBING US INFLATION

Washington, Nov. 26.  
Moves to curb inflation by self-control in labour and industry rather than by strict Government regulation appear in the making.

A select group of top business and labour leaders are reported to be planning a secret meeting in New York on Tuesday with that idea in mind.

Two of those reported to have been invited are involved in one of the biggest union-industry struggles of the day, the wage increase drive in the steel industry. These are John Stephens, Vice-President of the U.S. Steel Corporation, and Philip Murray, head of Industrial Organizations and its Steel Workers' Union. Arrangements for the New York meeting have been kept secret. But it was reported that industry had suggested it, and along with Mr. Murray, such leaders of labour as American Federation of Labour President William Green and John L. Lewis, chief of the miners' union, are to attend. The main purpose of the meeting was said to be an effort to achieve price and wage stability by voluntary means while going ahead with full civilian production and employment and still continuing the big defence build-up.—Associated Press.

## Rubber Price May Decline

Washington, Nov. 26.  
Trade authorities expect the price paid in the United Nations for natural rubber to continue to decline somewhat during the rest of this year. They disclosed that the Government's National Production Authority, which is a branch of the Commerce Department controlling the use of rubber, had decided on a reduction of roughly 30 per cent in consumption of natural rubber by American industry during the first three months of 1951. This will be compensated by an equal increase in availability of synthetic for the use of industry here, so that the total rubber consumption of both natural and synthetic will remain at its present rate of 90,000 tons a month.

Officials said there will be 40,000 long tons of natural rubber available to industry in the United States in January 1951, 35,000 long tons in February and 35,000 long tons in March. This is exclusive of defence requirements but industry sources reported earlier this week that they considered the United States Government had temporarily suspended natural rubber buying for stockpile purposes to all practical intents and purposes.—United Press.

## Pakistan Alters Rule Of Road

Karachi, Nov. 26.  
Cars in Pakistan will keep to the right, instead of the left, starting January 1.  
The decision is expected to increase the number of American-built cars sold in Pakistan and decrease the sale of British-made machines.—Associated Press.

# HIGH PRICES WORRYING PRODUCING INDUSTRIES

(OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Nov. 24.  
Primary producing industries, which a short time ago were struggling for existence, are now feeling concerned about the high prices their products are commanding today. It is not the fear of a sharp reaction that is worrying the producers so much as the possibility of increased production and development of new synthetic materials to offset the high prices which must be paid for natural products.

These fears are particularly felt by rubber producers who are faced with the prospect of a permanent large-scale production of synthetic rubber in America. But more recently, wool, sisal, cotton and jute producers have begun to realise they are not immune from the modern tendency to convert to cheaper synthetics.

It is fairly safe to say that no manufacturing industry likes to use synthetic materials when a natural product is available at a price which leaves a reasonable profit on the finished article after production costs have been taken into account. But many of these industries are now faced with supply problems that leave no alternative. When production costs increase because of the rising price of raw materials the manufacturer either has to raise his price or increase retail price for his product. But in many cases retail prices are already so high that sales are dropping off and any further increases would frighten customers away altogether. This applies no less to the export prices.

High prices are therefore not so advantageous to the primary producers as they would seem to be. The International Conference at Geneva which discussed the commodity scheme for tin broke down because America was far more concerned about the present shortage and the high price of tin than it was with the possibility of future surplus. And no doubt the same attitude would be adopted towards any similar proposal regarding other commodities which are at present in short supply and commanding a high price.

THE ONLY REMEDY  
The only remedy for shortages is to increase production but this is not always possible—at least not in time to have any short-term effect on the market. If production is increased, even assuming that capital could be found to effect the increase—what would happen when the present abnormal demand, especially non-commercial demand, slackens? Obviously many producers would go bankrupt and there would be unemployment and possibly social unrest in the producing areas.

It will be interesting to see what proposals are put forward at next month's meeting of the OEEC which will examine the supply and demand position for raw materials in Europe. America will be represented at these talks and means will be explored of ensuring that pipelines supplying industries engaged in research and development are kept filled. However, it is certain that economic considerations will have to give way to military necessity for some time to come.

A great deal is heard these days about the British aircraft industry but the extent to which a relatively small group of firms which comprise this industry is helping Britain's export drive is often overlooked. Figures must be hand show the industry's exports for October totalled £2,531,307. For the first ten months of this year exports of aircraft and components have been running at the annual rate of £35,250,000, £1,000,000 more than the total for last year.

COMET MIXER-EARNER  
The Comet's October imports amounted to £295,801. These included five complete aeroplanes (against 55 exported) but more than 90 per cent of the imports were accessories. The money-earning capacity of Britain's aircraft will be enhanced by the recent progress made in the development of De Havilland's Comet—the first jet airliner in the world. The Company is experimenting with more powerful jet engines than those being installed in the Comet now building, for BOAC. This should produce the alternative model of a plane for very long world stages.

New capital issue arrangements have provided the stock exchange with a new life. Despite the recent drop of new issues there is no sign yet that need for fresh capital is on the decline. In the unregulated market where a steady tone prevails, there is talk about the new issue of £20,000,000 of coal compensation stock. This is also speculation about the issue of British Government bonds about which the Government has been talking for some time. The New York Market is also depressed. The possibility of a new issue of £20,000,000 of coal compensation stock is also speculation about the issue of British Government bonds about which the Government has been talking for some time.

Interest is selective and recent signs of break-away from the dividend-free policy has become a factor in the market. Firmness of this section is also assisted by the limited turnover which is accounted for by the fact that attention is focussed on many big capital issues now being made.

The chief point interest in foreign bonds market has again been in Japanese which registered gains on rumours of renewed efforts to conclude a Peace Treaty with Japan. Rubber shares which were depressed last week because of the threat of heavy export duty in Malaya showed disposition to recover on receipt of the news that the tax was to be reconsidered. The announcement that jobbers in gilt-edged market must in future furnish the Bank of England with an annual statement of their financial position with an audited certificate stating the amount of the firm's net assets was generally welcomed in the City.—London Express Service.

## US Business Conditions Maintained

New York, Nov. 26.  
Favourable business conditions were well sustained in the past week, although total activity was reduced somewhat by Thanksgiving holiday closings. The stock market reached a new 20-year high and electric power output rose to a new all-time peak. Improved retail trade in all principal areas was the outstanding feature on the consumer front. It was the second week in a row that cash registers played a merry tune, giving comfort to economists who predict a good Christmas shopping season.

In addition to a larger food purchases for the Thanksgiving dinner, there was a distinct pick-up in sales of heavy clothing coincident with the appearance of winter weather. The weekly review of Dun and Bradstreet said some effects of Federal credit curbs were becoming apparent in reduced sales of large appliances, some furniture and cars. The better demand for almost all kinds of goods brought a rise in wholesale orders for both prompt shipment and future delivery, with spring merchandise figuring prominently in orders booked for later attention.—Associated Press.

## Expansion Of US Aluminium Production

Washington, Nov. 26.  
The Government has announced plans to expand the nation's aluminium ingot production by 100,000 tons a year. General Services Administration has entered into an agreement with Reynolds Metal Company to build a new 87,000-ton plant to be ready for production early in 1952. In addition, Reynolds will expand its existing plant to produce an additional 25,000 tons a year.—Associated Press.

## Economic Plans In Egypt

Cairo, Nov. 26.  
The Egyptian Government today approved the creation of a Higher Economic Council to advise the Government on its economic programmes and help combat the high cost of living. The Cabinet also approved plans of the Ministry of War and Marine to set up an ammunition plant in Egypt. The Higher Economic Council will be headed by the Minister of National Economy, Farouk El Sayid. It will have 21 members, including the Under-Secretaries of the Ministries of Finance and Commerce and the heads of the Economic and Finance Committees of the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate together with bank directors and leading businessmen.—House.

## NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans, Nov. 26.  
Cotton futures market here closed today as follows:  
Number 1 rubber, 153-164  
Per lb. November, 153 1/2-164 1/2  
December, 154-165  
January (1951), 154-165  
Number 2 rubber, 154-165  
November, 154-165  
Spot rubber, unbleached, 153-165  
Black crop, 153-165  
No. 1 pale crepe, 171-175  
No. 2 pale crepe, 171-175  
—United Press.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

The turnover on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$208,725. The half day's business and noon prices were as follows:  
STOCKS BUYERS SELLERS SALES  
HSBC Bank, 1320 47 @ 1340  
INSURANCES 670 73 @ 675  
Unions 500 5 @ 515  
DOCKERS, ETC. 80  
C. Light (N) 28  
Telephone 10 12  
INDUSTRIALS  
Cement 135  
Hope 14  
STREETS, ETC. 14  
Dairy (N) 21 1/2  
Watson 22 1/2

## Turkish Tobacco Crop Lower

Washington, Nov. 26.  
The Agriculture Department reported today that the tobacco crop for 1950 in Turkey was now estimated to be slightly below that of 1949, but still 20 per cent above the 1948 harvest. Turkish exports of tobacco were also reported to have decreased in the first eight months of 1950 about 40 per cent below those of the same period of 1949.

In a report on tobacco conditions elsewhere, the Department noted that tobacco production in Argentina increased but stocks were low and imports declined, and that French Monocro tobacco production in 1950 remained about equal to that of 1949, but imports in the first half of 1950 were about 50 per cent below the same period of 1949.—United Press.

## Pres. Pierce Due Here Next Month

The 33 President Pierce (American President Lines) sailed from San Francisco on Nov. 21 for Hongkong via Manila and Subic Bay, and is due to arrive in Hongkong on Dec. 12 and sail on Dec. 13 for Okinawa, Kobe, Nagoya, Yokohama, Otaru, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

## Singapore Rubber

Singapore, Nov. 25.  
Prices in the rubber futures market here closed today as follows:  
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## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:  
Sterling note (per £) 15.12  
U.S. dollars (per \$1) 8.45  
Indonesian guilders (per 100) 27.75  
Hankow dollars (per 100) 27.75  
Singapore (Straits) 1.77  
P.T. piastres (per 100) 13.97

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S.S. "WOSANG"	Sandakan, Noon, 20th Nov.

ARRIVALS FROM	
S.S. "WINGSANG"	Keelung, 3rd Dec.
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M.V. "DRECONSHIRE"	Leads 10th December, sails 21st December, for Straits, Colombo, Aden, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Genoa, London, Rotterdam/Amsterdam, Hamburg and Antwerp. Due London 1st February.

(Carriers option to proceed via other ports to load/discharge cargo)

### SCHEDULED ARRIVALS FROM LONDON

M.V. "DRECONSHIRE"	Leave London, 1st Dec.
M.V. "GLENARTNEY"	Sailed, 8th Dec.
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M.V. "RADNORSHIRE"	5th Dec.
M.V. "FLINTSHIRE"	Sailed, 11th Dec.

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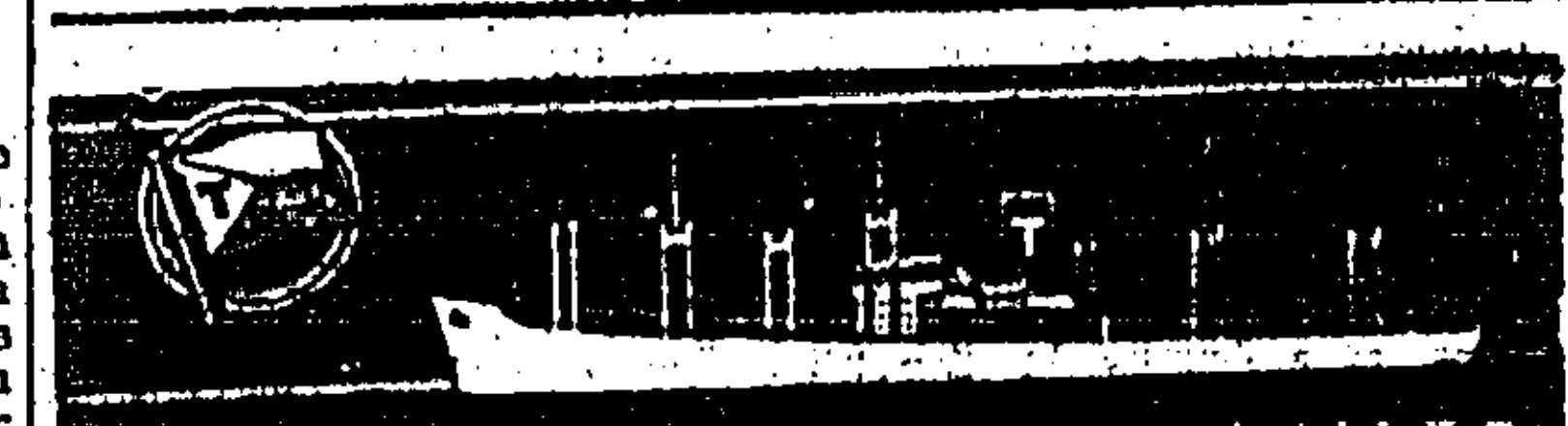
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Air mail service to Korea is resumed, unregistered correspondence only can be accepted at 60 cents per half ounce.  
The public are reminded that the last collection from pillar boxes to be carried by Sunday closing despatches is 2 p.m. on Saturday.  
Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles (by air or sea) and Parcel Posts close 10 hours earlier than the ordinary mail. Where mails close on Sundays or before 10 a.m. on any other day, registered and parcel posts close at 2 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office one hour earlier than the G.P.O. closing times.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27**  
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U.S.A. & Canada, 2 p.m.  
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Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, Australia, New Zealand, & Persian Gulf Ports, 5 p.m.  
Indo-China, French North Africa and France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Philippines & France, 2 p.m.  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28**  
Closing Times By Air  
Formosa, 10 a.m.  
Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A., (letters, second class mail and parcels) Guam, (letters and second class mail) Canada, (letters only), 5 p.m.  
Formosa & U.S.A., 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
B.N. Borneo, 9 a.m.  
Malaya, Burma & India, Noon.  
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, Central & South America, 2 p.m.  
Siam, 2 p.m.  
Japan, 2 p.m.  
Philippines, 2 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29**  
Closing Times By Air  
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia & New Zealand, 9 a.m.  
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Iraq, Iran, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy & N.W. Europe, 5 p.m.  
Indo-China, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.

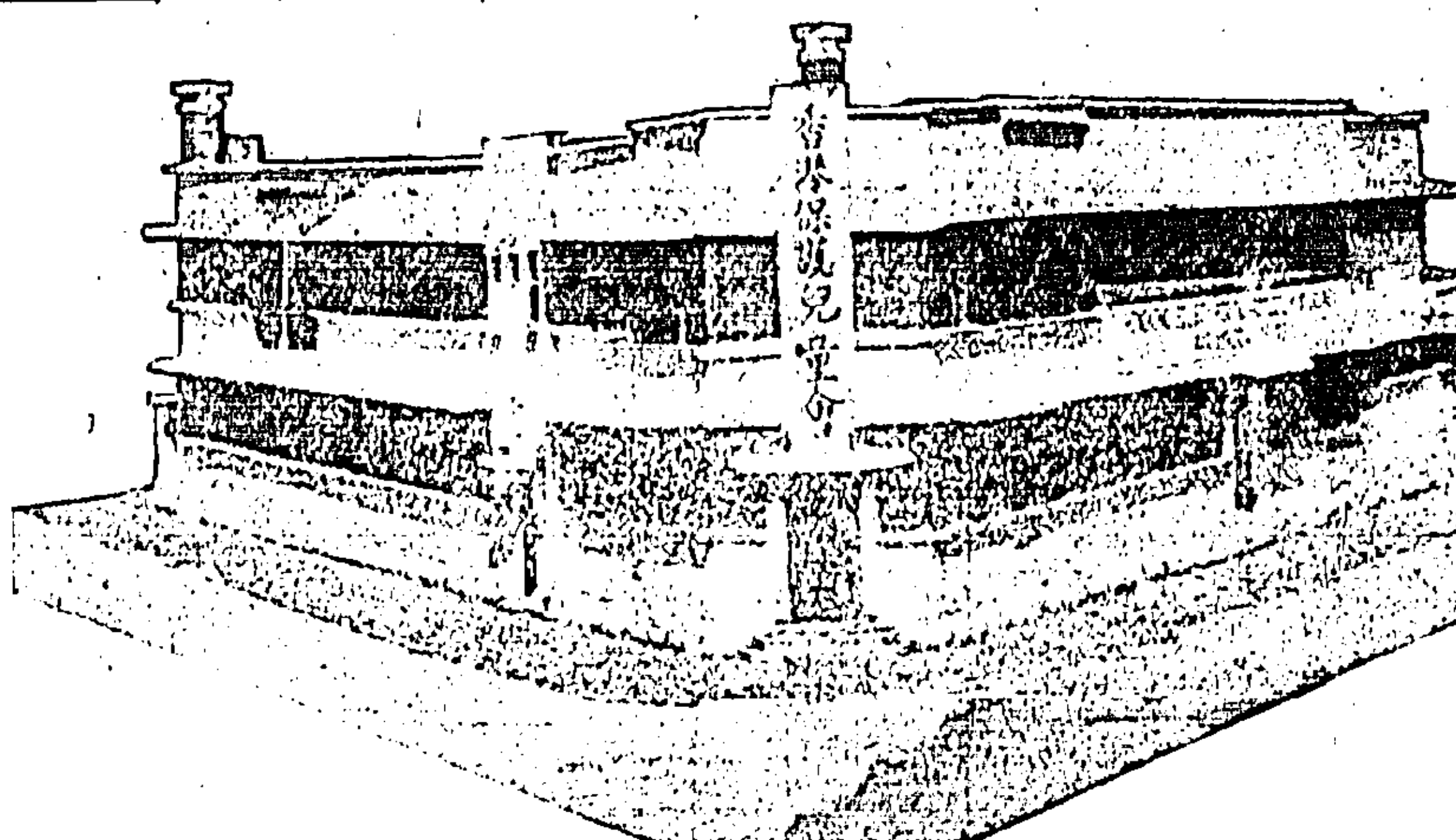
## Radio Hongkong

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6.00. "Hong Kong Calling" Programme Summary; 6.02. Children's Half-hour conducted by Jack Frost (Studio); 6.30. Portuguese Half-hour (Studio); 7.00. World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 7.15. "John Bull's Band" - British "Hit" of Yesterday and To-day (BDCTS); 7.45. "The Hourglass Ferry Services" - Advisory Committee. A Talk by The Hon. Lawrence Kadoorie (Studio); 8.00. "From the Editor's Desk" (London Relay); 8.10. "Worship" - Vaughan-Thomas is "Glad to meet you" in Windsor and Eton (BDCTS); 8.24. Interlude 8.30. "What's What" - Presented by Dennis Hill (Studio); 9.00. "Ituna" (BDCTS); 9.30. "Concerts" - Concerts for Cello & Orchestra (Lalo) Andre Navarra (Cello) and L'Orchestre de l'Association des Concerts Colonne, conducted by Jean Fournet; 10.00. Radio News Head (London Relay); 10.15. Weather Report; 10.18. Chanson Française; 10.30. Commonwealth Journey - An account of a Journey to Bahamas, Jamaica, Barbados and Trinidad. Illustrated with recordings made on the tour by Leonard Cottrell (BDCTS); 11.00. Dance to Lou Pender and his Orch. 11.15. Goodnight Noddy; 11.30. God Save the King. Close down.

## Kowloon Collision

About 8.30 this morning, a private car collided with a bicycle ridden by a boy named Ko Siu-hung in Nathan Road near Whitfield Barracks. The boy was sent to the Kowloon Hospital by ambulance, suffering from slight injuries. His bicycle was damaged.

## New HKSPC Centre



The above picture from a scale model gives an idea of the spacious building, which will shortly be erected in the Shamshuipo area, one of the most congested in the Colony, for the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children.

The valuable site has been made available by the Government with the sanction of the Secretary of State for the Colonies on a lease of 75 years, with the option of renewal for a further 75 years at nominal rental.

## INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

Call the three men S M W; their positions, a at U; those who are married, H and H; who are not married, H and H. So he is either H or the bachelor. If M is H, we have, in clockwise order, M/H/H-U. Now S is to the left of the a. So we have (1) M/H/H-U-S or (2) M/H/H-U-S-H. If (1) is a and has at on his left, H is at and has on his left. But, in fact, W has on his left. So M cannot be H. In clockwise order, the three are: M/H/H-U. M is the bachelor. Mind your is the bachelor. London Express Service.

## CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. Ferdinand de Lesseps. 2. A cabin on the after part of a vessel's quarter-deck surrounded by the poop. 3. Dublin, Ireland. 4. It lies between Kattegat and the Baltic. 5. Covent Garden Theatre. 6. The road leading from the Mount of Olives to Golgotha, which Jesus traversed on his way to his crucifixion.

# Intended To Wipe Out Family Alleges Crown

## Dramatic Story Told To Court

Wong Wah-kit, a 38-year-old hawker, who is said to have armed himself with a bomb with the intention of wiping out an Aberdeen family and to commit suicide at the same time appeared before Mr Justice Scholes in the Supreme Court this morning charged with the murder of a 15-year-old boy.

It is alleged that the accused went to the home of Wong Chi-keung, an Aberdeen cafe proprietor who had refused to lend him \$200, entered the living room where the inmates were having a meal and placed a smoking parcel wrapped in newspaper on the table.

## European Charged

J. H. Bottomley, 30, of 6, Causeway Hill, was charged before Mr Hing-shing Lo at Central this morning with driving under the influence of drink on November 25 at Hennessy Road near Tin Lok Lane.

It was alleged that defendant was driving private car No. 1576 along Hennessy Road near Tin Lok Lane at 9.50 p.m. on Saturday and was involved in a traffic accident. At the request of Sub-Insp. S. H. Yuen, the case was adjourned for a week. Defendant is on bail of \$500.

## Big Robbery Sequel

According to the police a man and a woman connected with the \$40,000 robbery at Shiro's were brought back to Hongkong yesterday evening.

Through The Hongkong Private Detective Agency's investigation three women and two men were detained by the Macao authorities pending the arrival of the Hongkong Police. According to information gathered from other sources it was said that most of the \$40,000 worth of watches and costume jewellery stolen from Shiro's (China) Ltd. during the early hours of November 11 had been recovered.

The Hongkong Police are continuing their investigation and are confident of making further arrests.

undergrowth and he was next seen by Detective Chai Fook, a member of Insp. Warrell's party, coming down a pathway from the direction of the clearing. Chau challenged second accused who fired two shots at the detective and made off. When pursued by Chau Fook, he fired a further two shots at him. Second accused crossed a small dried-up river bed along the edge of the village, climbed an embankment and disappeared from view on the other side.

The Police were well posted and two uniformed constables, who had seen second accused pursued by Chau Fook, saw him wading across a fish pond on the other side of the embankment. They called on him to surrender, and second accused gave himself up. He had with him a Mills bomb, but had no ammunition in his pocket. The revolver he was seen to have was not found, but the constables believed he had dropped it into the fish pond. The fish pond was subsequently dragged on September 19 and the revolver, fully loaded in all six chambers, was recovered. Crown Counsel suggested that second accused must have at some time reloaded his gun.

**IDENTIFIED**  
When second accused was taken to the San Hui Dispensary after his arrest, he was identified as the man who had run off from the rear door of a wooden hut in the clearing by the two detectives who had been searching the stone building.

Dealing briefly with the law, Crown Counsel told the jury that the law said that if a number of people acted together as a party for a common purpose to effect an unlawful purpose, then any offence committed by any one of the party would render all of the party guilty of the offence. It was the Crown's allegation that all the four men concerned in the case were armed, and all had a common design together, either to shoot at anyone attempting to interfere with them or to shoot at any Police officers who tried to arrest them. It was further alleged that the bullet which killed the 15-year-old boy was fired from the gun of one of the four men.

## Man Changes Plea On Court's Advice Two Charged With Murder

There was minor sensation at the Criminal Sessions this morning when one of two men who appeared for their trial before Mr Justice Gould, Senior Puisne Judge, on a charge of murder pleaded guilty to the offence. The man was Cheung Ho, 33, who, together with Chan Ning, 38, was accused of the murder of PC Tong Kei, 25, at Chuk Yuen Village in the Castle Peak district, New Territories, on September 17.

Chan Ning (first accused) when asked to plead by the Clerk of the Court, replied that he did not kill the constable. When the Clerk asked him whether he pleaded guilty or not guilty, Cheung Ho (second accused), a tall and big man, nodded his head and said he pleaded guilty.

Cheung reversed his plea when he was advised by the Senior Puisne Judge to do so. Mr Charles E. Loseby, KC, who appeared for both accused, instructed by Mr J. T. Prior, informed the Court that he had advised the two men to plead not guilty.

Mr Justice Gould remarked he thought there might have been a misunderstanding. A Jury of five men and two women was empanelled.

Mr Heenan, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, assisted by Det.-Sub-Insp. J. Hing-shing Lo. Sub-accused, said Mr Heenan, were charged together with two other men, Yeung On and Li Tsai, with having murdered Tong Kei, who was dead, having been killed in the course of the gun battle which ensued between the armed gang and the Police.

Detailing the facts, Mr Heenan said that on the afternoon of September 17 a large Police party, numbering between 30 and 40 men, under the command of Mr D. MacPherson, Divisional Superintendent of Police in the New Territories, went to the scene of the action—a small clearing about 100 yards long and 60 yards wide situated on the top of a little hill near Chuk Yuen Village, Castle Peak. With Mr MacPherson were Inspectors Hadden and R. Mackenzie, each of whom were in charge of squads of Police, who were in uniform in the majority. The dead constable was a member of the party and he was dressed in khaki uniform, with steel helmet, and wearing a bullet-proof vest.

**ACCORDING TO PLAN**  
In the clearing were some wooden huts and also a small stone building, the latter situated on the north side. The group of wooden huts were by the side of a large tree. There was a sweet potato patch in the clearing and the surrounding area was covered with dense undergrowth.

The Police approached the clearing according to a plan drawn up in advance. A group under Insp. Mackenzie went to search the stone building, while the others went towards the wooden huts by the large tree. Constable Tong Kei and another policeman, Chan Sik-wah, both wearing bullet-proof vests, were in Mr MacPherson's party.

As they made for the huts, a burst of gunfire was heard and Constable Chan Sik-wah saw Tong Kei stumble to his knees and fall to the ground. At the same time something struck Chan and although he had no injury it was subsequently discovered that he had been struck by a bullet which hit his bullet-proof vest, penetrated to a

tail extent, but had fortunately left him unharmed.

Both Mr MacPherson and Insp. Hadden heard this burst of gunfire and immediately after saw three men running out of one of the wooden huts. Mr MacPherson and the other Police opened fire on these men and two, who were obviously wounded, fell to the ground. They had managed to run a distance of about 30 yards from the hut. The third of the trio managed to disappear into the undergrowth. On September 19, the body of this man, bearing gunshot wounds, was found and was identified as Li Tsai.

The Crown alleged that one of the two men who fell was the first accused, and the other was Yeung On, said Mr Heenan. It was more than likely that it was Yeung On who had fired the shot which killed Tong Kei because after he had been killed he had in possession of a revolver from which a bullet was fired as a test by a ballistics expert and found to be similar to the bullet recovered from Tong Kei's body.

**SURRENDER APPEAL**  
The Police party converged on the two men lying on the ground from different directions and a gun battle ensued which lasted to almost 5.30 p.m. Mr MacPherson called on first accused and Yeung On to surrender. Both replied by firing at the Police. During the course of the battle, a bullet hit Mr MacPherson but was stopped by his bullet-proof vest. The Police opened a concentrated fire on the men and Yeung was eventually killed.

When Mr MacPherson made for first accused, who was lying between two sweet potato drills, and again called on him to surrender, first accused fired two shots at him, but subsequently surrendered. He was quite severely wounded, said Crown Counsel, and was in possession of a revolver, while lying beside him was a Japanese-type hand grenade which was later destroyed on the spot by an explosive expert.

First accused also had three rounds of ammunition in his pocket.

From all indications, Mr Heenan remarked, the gang appeared to have been well armed and well supplied with ammunition.

Dealing with the second accused, the Prosecutor said that two detectives searching the stone hut looked out when they first heard sounds of firing and saw three men running across the clearing. They then saw a man, identified as second accused, dash out of the rear door of a wooden hut. He was about 19 yards away from the Police when he saw the detectives he fired two shots at them.

In accordance with the Police plan, another party had been stationed at the foot of the hill near Chuk Yuen Village in charge of Insp. Warrell. Second accused disappeared from the view of the two detectives as he ran down the hill.

## Death Of Mr Joseph Read

### Did Secret Service Work In POW Camp

News has been received in the Colony of the death at Long Grove Hospital, Epsom, Surrey, of Mr Joseph Read, step-son of Mr A. E. Manwaring of the Naval Dockyard, at the age of 27.

Prior to the war Mr Read was an apprentice at Kowloon Dock and during the fighting Hongkong served with No. 1 Machine Gun Company of the old Hongkong Volunteer Defence Force. He was wounded during the Wongneichong Battle and was later interned in Shanghai and Japan.

After the war, he went to Australia, and while in Sydney was presented with a gold watch by his fellow POWs in recognition of the services he rendered them in camp as a member of the Secret Service Force.

Returning to Hongkong after the war, Mr Read completed his apprenticeship and joined Messers as a ship's engineer. He was taken ill in June, 1948.

Mr Read's mother flew from Hongkong to England by BOAC to see him on November 17.

## Possessed Forged Bank Notes

### Prison For Two Men

Pleading guilty to possession of forged bank notes Li Kwai, 27, mason, and Li Chun-cheung, 21, travelling trader, were sentenced to six months by Mr Winter at Kowloon this morning.

Det.-Sub-Inspector A. B. Hart told the Court that at 11 a.m. on November 21, the police, acting on information arrested second defendant, the junction of Boundary Street and Cumberland Road. He had in his possession two \$100 bank notes of the Chartered Bank of India Australia and China, and a one-dollar Hongkong Government note. The notes were duly certified as false.

On the same day, the second defendant offered to lead the police to the man whom he claimed had given him the forged notes. This resulted in the arrest of the first defendant at a quarry in Ma Hang Chu Road.

First defendant maintained the notes were passed to him by another man.

## Johnston Road Fire

Fire destroyed furniture and personal effects of the front portion of 55 Johnston Road, top floor, this morning.

The Central Fire Station dispatched two engines under Chief Fire Officer Mr W. J. Gorman which quickly extinguished the blaze.

A detachment of the Emergency Unit was also present at the spot. No casualties were caused.

## Education Week Opens: Many Visit Schools

Hongkong's first Education Week opened with a flourish this morning and the public were given their first inside story on the life of a school child.

Four Government Schools, Bellillo Public School, Yau-mai Government School, Kowloon Dooms Memorial School and Tai-po Government School, are open to parents and friends today, the first two in the morning and the others all day.

At Bellillo, prefects and monitors guided their guests through exhibitions of handicraft, art specimens of academic subjects and cooking lessons and a folk-dancing display. Visitors had a glimpse of classes being conducted and were left to admire and enjoy the tremendous strides taken by education since the days of the Three Rs.

The other three schools also gave very creditable exhibitions of the education received by the children of Hongkong. Yau-mai Government School, in addition, a gymnastics display.

Various members of the Education Department were among the interested visitors. These exhibitions show what a wide field schools cover nowadays in order to turn out future citizens who are not only scholars but are capable of using their hands to fashion useful things and capable of enjoying beauty and good health as well as being interested in their social environment. They also foster fellowship to adapt the child to its place in the world.

Education Week has been inaugurated, according to His Excellency, the Governor, to bring to the notice of the public the methods by which schools of the Colony are endeavouring to forward the ideal of helping human progress through individual and social development.

This afternoon there will be a Mass Display at Sookun-poo at 5 p.m. with 8,000 children taking part. The display today will be for schools' audience only.

Tomorrow the Vernacular Primary School, Kowloon; the Senior Vernacular Middle School, Quarry Bay School, and Kennedy Road Junior School will hold "Open Days."

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## Industrial Town Swept By Fire

Moultrie, Georgia, Nov. 26. A wind-swept fire danced through the industrial section of Moultrie today, leaving in its haphazard wake an estimated \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000 damage. Firemen from six South Georgia towns and a number of local volunteers battled the flames for many hours before bringing the blaze under control—United Press.

## Costly Possession Of Raw Opium

Sentence of nine months' hard labour and an additional fine of \$10,000 or in the alternative 12 months was imposed on Chang Chao-lan, 35, of 7, Kai and a native of Tientsin, Mr Reynolds at Central this morning for possession of 100 lbs of raw opium.

## Obstructed The Police

For obstructing a Police officer in the execution of his duty, Tang Yee, a 32-year-old wife of Mr. Y. H. Tang, 32, was fined \$100 by Mr Reynolds at Central this morning. She had pleaded guilty to the charge.

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